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TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Tuesday, 23 January 2024

Trafford Town Hall
Talbot Road
Stretford
M32 0TH

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Council of the Borough of Trafford on **WEDNESDAY, 31 JANUARY 2024, at 7.00 P.M.** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, TRAFFORD TOWN HALL, TALBOT ROAD, STRETFORD**, for the transaction of the business set out below:

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| 1. Minutes | |
| To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 22 November 2023, for signature by the Mayor as Chair of the Council. | 1 - 14 |
| 2. Announcements | |
| To receive any announcements from the Mayor, Leader of the Council, Members of the Executive, Chairs of Scrutiny Committees and the Head of Paid Service. | |
| 3. Questions By Members | |
| This is an opportunity for Members of Council to ask the Mayor, Members of the Executive or the Chairs of any Committee or Sub-Committee a question on notice under Procedure Rule 10.2. | |
| 4. Membership of the Council, Committees and Outside Bodies | |
| To note that Councillor G. Carter was nominated and subsequently appointed by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority as a substitute member to the GMCA Overview and Scrutiny Committee, with effect from 15 December 2023, as a replacement for Councillor K. Procter. | |
| 5. Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places | |
| To consider a report of the Chief Executive and Acting Returning Officer. | 15 - 72 |

6. 6-month Corporate Report on Health, Safety & Wellbeing- 1 April to 30 September 2023

To consider a report of the Deputy Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Leisure, Arts, Culture and Heritage.

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7. Motions

To consider the following motions submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 11:

(a) Motion Submitted by the Conservative Group - Debate Not Hate

This Council believes that:

1. Debating and disagreement is a fundamental part of a healthy democracy, and that this should always be done with respect;
2. It is a privilege to be elected to public office and comes with the responsibility of representing everyone, regardless of how they voted and anyone, regardless of their background or political affiliation, should feel safe to become a councillor and be proud to represent their community.

This Council notes that:

1. The Local Government Association (LGA) has amassed a considerable volume of evidence and personal accounts of the impact of abuse, intimidation, and aggression at a national level. The research showed that seven in 10 councillors reported experiencing abuse and intimidation over the last 12 months and councillors reported feeling that abuse is becoming more common and increasing in severity;
2. If left to continue, this negative and unacceptable behaviour can prevent elected members from representing the communities they serve, deter individuals from standing for election and undermine local democracy.

This Council further notes that:

1. The LGA has launched its "Debate Not Hate" campaign, which aims to raise public awareness of the role of councillors in their communities, encourage healthy debate and improve the responses and support for local politicians facing abuse and intimidation;

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2. This research outlines seven recommendations that Councils, the LGA, police forces, the Government and social media companies should take to improve the environment for current and prospective councillors, ranging from protecting privacy to creating a long-term culture change that de-normalises the abuse of politicians and other high-profile individuals;
3. This campaign has received support from across the political spectrum, as well as representatives from bodies such as the National Association of Local Councils, Compassion in Politics, the Local Government Information Unit and the National Hate Crime Awareness Week.

The Council resolves to:

1. Endorse the LGA Debate Not Hate campaign and call on all political groups to sign the public statement;
2. Support the LGA's proposal for a national working group to produce and implement an action plan that addresses the abuse and intimidation of elected members and candidates and ensures their safety while they fulfil their democratic roles;
3. Assess how it can take greater responsibility for the safety and wellbeing of its members, taking a proactive approach to preventing and handling abuse and intimidation and addressing the impacts of abuse on mental health and wellbeing

Councillors agree to continually promote diversity and inclusion ahead of the next Local Elections and beyond, including diversity of thought – publicly condemning politically fuelled abusive behaviour.

(b) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - City of Sanctuary

This Council notes that:

- Trafford Council is proud of its rich history of welcoming and supporting all those seeking safety in our borough and is committed to continuing to uphold the principles of dignity, respect and compassion towards all our residents.
- More and more men, women and children are being forced to flee from their homes due to conflict, war, persecution, human rights violations and the effects of the climate crisis.

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This Council believes that:

- Current Government laws undermine internationally recognised rights for people fleeing war and persecution to seek safety and have created a hostile environment for refugees which is cruel and divisive, causing harm and distress to some of the most vulnerable people.
- Those fleeing violence and persecution flourish and contribute to their new country when given comprehensive and well-co-ordinated support within their new host communities to empower them to rebuild their lives, and should always be treated with dignity and respect, housed as our neighbours and given support to integrate into our communities.
- Becoming a member of the national network of City of Sanctuary Councils will build on, support and enhance the Council's work in creating a culture of welcome, inclusion and empowerment for people seeking sanctuary in collaboration with organisations such as the Hub in Altrincham, which is supporting occupants of the Britannia Ashley Hotel in Hale, Rehoboth for Families, and St John's Centre.

This Council resolves to:

- Sign up to the City of Sanctuary membership pledge to become a non-awarded member of the City of Sanctuary Local Authority Network, agreeing to work towards a City of Sanctuary Local Authority Award with the aim of becoming a recognised Council of Sanctuary, thereby influencing and offering inspiration to other Local Authorities and committing to recognising and raising awareness of the positive contribution that people seeking sanctuary make to our borough.
- Work together with the members of the Local Authority Network to influence government policy, challenging the current hostile approach, defending the human right to seek safety, and encouraging and enabling social change.
- Develop an action plan to embed the concept of sanctuary across council services and the wider community.
- Continue to work in partnership with community and voluntary organisations and those with lived experience, and continue to enable and empower people seeking sanctuary to lead at all levels of the network and the community.

(c) Motion Submitted by the Labour Group - Local Government Funding

This Council notes that:

1. A Fair Funding Review for local government was first promised by the government in 2016 but has still not been delivered and there is no indication of when it will be.
2. In 2015, the government set out plans to reset business rates baselines for council in 2020, but this has still not happened.
3. The government's Autumn Statement in November 2023 failed to provide any new funding for local councils, meaning there is a £4 billion funding gap facing councils just to maintain current services.
4. Almost one in five council leaders and chief executives in England surveyed by the Local Government Association think it is very or fairly likely that they will need to issue a section 114 notice this year or next.
5. The provisional Local Government Finance settlement announced by the government on 18 December 2023 assumes that all councils will increase their council tax by the maximum allowed in 2024/25, following the same assumption used in previous years.
6. For the last six years, the government has only issued one-year settlements which makes it difficult for councils to plan their future financial sustainability.
7. Responding to the settlement, the Local Government Association noted that it "does not provide enough funding to meet the severe cost and demand pressures which have left councils of all political colours and types warning of the serious challenges they face to set balanced budgets next year".
8. More than 40 Conservative Members of Parliament have signed a letter to the Prime Minister, warning they are "exceptionally concerned" that their local Councils are facing financial crisis.

This Council further notes that:

1. Trafford is one of the 20 worst funded councils in the country, one of the lowest spending councils and its council tax levels are the second lowest in Greater Manchester. The Institute for Fiscal Studies identified Trafford as the lowest funded local authority compared to 150 similar authorities, meaning it receives £11 million less each year on average than similar authorities.

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2. Since 2010, Trafford has suffered a 60% real terms reduction in its budget and had to close budget gaps totalling £288 million.
3. Between 2010-15, when the Conservatives led the council, council tax in Trafford was frozen. This has meant the council has £15 million less in income each year.
4. Increases in demand for adult social care and children's services, high levels of inflation and increases in the National Living Wage are costing the council around £12 million each year. Increases in council tax, business rates indexation and certain grants only provide around £6 million each year, meaning the council budget has an underlying structural deficit, where it has to find £6 million of savings every year just to stand still.

This Council resolves to:

1. Launch a public campaign alongside other Greater Manchester authorities:
 - a. calling on the Government to fix the broken system of local government finance and give Trafford a fair funding settlement.
 - b. highlighting the cuts made to Trafford Council's budget, despite increases in council tax and the increasing demand for key services.
 - c. To highlight what the Council and residents can do to support reducing costs and demands on local services.
2. Ask the Leader or Chief Executive to write to our Trafford Members of Parliament and Greater Manchester Mayor requesting that:
 - a. they support our campaign, lobby Ministers and publicly call on the government to deliver a fair funding settlement for Trafford.
 - b. they reply to indicate their position to the Council.

Yours sincerely,



SARA TODD
Chief Executive

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Membership of the Council

Councillors D.C. O'Sullivan (Mayor), A.M. Whyte (Deputy Mayor), D. Acton, S. Adshead, J.M. Axford, Babar, O.J. Baskerville, J. Bennett, J. Brophy, B. Brotherton, D. Butt, G. Carter, K.G. Carter, K. Chakraborty, G. Coggins, M. Cordingley, F. Cosby, Z.C. Deakin, R. Duncan, P. Eckersley, S. G. Ennis, N. Evans, W. Frass, S.J. Gilbert, J. Harding, B. Hartley, W. Hassan, S. J. Haughey, E.L. Hirst, J. Holden, F. Hornby, C. Hynes, D. Jarman, D. Jerrome, W. Jones, J. Leicester, S.E. Lepori, J. Lloyd, S. Maitland, M. Minnis, J.D. Newgrosh, T. O'Brien, E.R. Parker, E. Patel, R. Paul, K. Procter, S. Procter, T. Ross, J. Slater, H. K. Spencer, O. Sutton, M.J. Taylor, S. Taylor, S. Thomas, R. Thompson, L. Walsh, M.J. Welton, D. Western, M.P. Whetton, A.J. Williams, B.G. Winstanley, J.A. Wright and S. Zhi.

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TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

22 NOVEMBER 2023

PRESENT

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Dolores O'Sullivan), in the Chair.

A.M. Whyte (Deputy Mayor)	N. Evans	E.R. Parker
D. Acton	W. Frass	E. Patel
S. Adshead	J. Harding	R. Paul
J.M. Axford	B. Hartley	K. Procter
Babar	W. Hassan	S. Procter
O.J. Baskerville	S. J. Haughey	T. Ross
J. Bennett	E.L. Hirst	J. Slater
J. Brophy	J. Holden	H. K. Spencer
B. Brotherton	F. Hornby	O. Sutton
D. Butt	C. Hynes	M.J. Taylor
G. Carter	D. Jarman	S. Taylor
K.G. Carter	D. Jerrome	S. Thomas
K. Chakraborty	W. Jones	R. Thompson
G. Coggins	J. Leicester	L. Walsh
M. Cordingley	S.E. Lepori	M.J. Welton
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R. Duncan	M. Minnis	A.J. Williams
P. Eckersley	J.D. Newgrosh	B.G. Winstanley
S. G. Ennis	T. O'Brien	S. Zhi

In attendance

Chief Executive	S. Todd
Director of Legal and Governance and Monitoring Officer	D. Sykes
Governance Manager	J. Addison
Senior Governance Officer	I. Cockill

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.J. Gilbert and J.A. Wright.

32. MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 19 July 2023, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

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33. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (a) Honorary Alderman, Former Councillor and Past Mayor Mrs. Pamela Dixon MBE and Former Mayoress Mrs. Wendy Higgins.

It was with regret that the Mayor referred to the recent passing of former Councillor Mrs. Pamela Dixon MBE and Honorary Alderman who was Mayor of Trafford in 2004/05. Mrs. Dixon represented the Brooklands Ward and served on the Council for 27 years between 1990 and 2018.

The Mayor also advised the Council of the sad passing of the former Mayoress, Mrs. Wendy Higgins, who was Mayoress to her husband David in his Mayoral year 2009/10.

As a mark of respect to its former colleagues, the Council stood for a moments silence in reflection of in their memory.

- (b) Israel and Gaza

The Mayor referred to the terrible events which were unfolding in Israel and Gaza and conveyed the Council's thoughts and prayers to those impacted and the people caught up in the ongoing conflict.

The Council paused and took a moment to reflect on the many innocent people who had lost their lives or who had lost loved ones.

- (c) His Majesty the King's Birthday Honours

The Mayor took the opportunity to recognise those citizens and persons connected with Trafford who were named in His Majesty the King's Birthday Honours List, namely:

Ms Hayley Karen Citrine from Sale, awarded the citation of Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE) for services to Nursing;

Mr Jonathan Grant Evans from Hale, awarded the MBE for services to Association Football in Northern Ireland;

Mrs Zoe Branka Holland from Sale, awarded the MBE for Charitable Service, particularly during Covid 19; and

Dr Rosemary McCarthy from Hale, awarded the MBE for services to Midwifery and Maternity Healthcare.

The Council joined with the Mayor in conveying the Council's congratulations for their achievements and richly deserved recognition.

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(d) The Leader of the Council's Announcements

Councillor Ross provided a summary of the following Council activities since the previous meeting.

- In July, eleven of Trafford's parks and greenspaces were awarded Green Flag status. Thanks went to the Friends of Parks Groups and officers from the Council and Amey.
- In partnership with L&Q, the Council had started the regeneration of several properties in Sale Moor to bring them back into use as affordable homes.
- In early September, thousands welcomed the tour of Britain cycling race to Altrincham.
- Council had received funding of almost £2 million to support the building of new homes on the Lacy Street site in Stretford.
- Longford Park awarded £3million from the heritage lottery fund with thanks to the Friends of Longford Park, Ward Councillors, Executive Members and officers.
- Congratulations to Altrincham Bid for their successful Purple Flag award.
- The opening of Hale Library.
- The Council looked forward to the next stages of the levelling-up bid for leisure development in Partington and to the engagement with residents.
- Congratulations to Trafford Veterans and the Special Educational Needs Family Support Group on receiving the King's Award for Voluntary Service.

(e) Budget Scrutiny

Councillor Acton, Chair of Scrutiny Committee advised the Council that the Budget Scrutiny sessions were to take place on 28 and 30 November 2023 to which all Members were invited.

(f) Health Scrutiny

Councillor Butt, Chair of Health Scrutiny updated the Council on the Task and Finish Group's meeting with local social prescribers and the Committee's work programme to date in respect of Altrincham Minor Injuries Unit, Aids and Adaptations and the Integrated Care Board's governance structure. The forthcoming meeting will explore Health Social Care Winter Plans, Dental Access and Cancer Diagnosis and Prevention as well as reviewing performance during the pandemic.

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34. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

The Mayor reported that 12 questions had been received under Procedure Rule 10.2.

On the basis that the Mayor had asked for the responses to be circulated to all Councillors and published on the website, the Council consented to taking both the question and response as read and noted and where a response was yet to be provided, they would be circulated after the meeting.

The Mayor invited any supplementary questions to be submitted in writing after the meeting. Any supplementary question received, together with the answer to that question, would also be published on the Council's website.

RESOLVED: That the Council notes the questions submitted for the meeting and the responses provided so far and notes the process by which outstanding responses and supplementary questions and their responses will be dealt with.

35. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL, COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED: That Council notes that:

- (a) Councillor New resigned her position as a Member of the Council, with effect from 20 September 2023.
- (b) Councillor Frances Cosby was elected as a Member of the Council following the Poll held on 2 November 2023 for the Bucklow St. Martins Ward and will hold office until 2027.
- (c) Councillor G. Carter replaced Cllr K. Procter on Licensing Committee for the period 8 August 2023 to 17 August 2023.
- (d) Councillor Patel was appointed to the Greater Manchester Combined Authority Employment Skills and Work Executive Member Forum and Councillor Ged Carter appointed as the substitute Member with effect from 16 October 2023 and 8 November 2023, respectively.

36. PETITION - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON PARK ROAD, TIMPERLEY

Lead Petitioner, Helen Orme introduced the following petition which had received 615 signatures in support:

"We petition the Council to provide a pedestrian crossing on Park Road, Timperley in the vicinity of Heyes Lane and Stoney Bridge Lane junction.

Many people cross Park Road, Timperley near to the junction of Heyes Lane to access Stoney Bridge Lane. In particular it is used by many school children walking to Wellington School. It is also used as foot access to other schools, tennis club, allotments, dog walking and a route to Timperley

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village. There have been several accidents at this junction including a recent accident where a child was hit by a car. It can take several minutes to wait for a safe opportunity to cross plus there is a blind spot to pedestrians when crossing at the bottom of Stoney Bridge Lane making it very difficult for pedestrians to cross safely.”

The lead petitioner outlined the main reasons for the petitions ask, namely, it was impracticable to use the next nearest crossing; school children were at risk having to make judgements about when to cross: statistically, six serious accidents on Park Road recently did not prove the junction was safe; and morally the safety imperative outweighed any budgetary concerns.

Councillor Adshead, Executive Member for Highways, Environmental and Traded Services responded to the petition on behalf of the controlling group advising that all requests were fully accessed and outlined the potential costs which were dependant on Transport for Greater Manchester funding. He thanked the petitioner for bringing the issue to the Council and indicated that road safety and highway officers would consider the request and provide a response directly.

Councillors Evans, Minnis and Jerrome responded to the petition on behalf of the opposition political parties and recognising that there was not any safety features in the vicinity were supportive of the petition’s ask and urged the Council to find the necessary funding.

In summary, the Leader of the Council, Councillor Ross advised that there was a political will to support Active Travel Routes where possible and he would speak to the Executive Members to look at what the Council could do to liaise with Transport for Greater Manchester and Ward Councillors to see if progress can be made with the petitions’ request.

37. STREET TRADING POLICY, DESIGNATED STREETS AND FEES 2023

The Executive Member for Communities and Safety submitted a report outlining the current position of street trading within Trafford and detailing a number of proposals and the consultation undertaken. The report had been considered by the Executive on 18 September 2023 and Council was recommended to:

- (i) designate streets in the Borough as licence, consent or prohibited;
- (ii) agree a new policy (including recommendations for a consent to be obtained for the sale of articles from private land where the public have access without payment); and
- (iii) agree revised fees.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Council notes the recommendations of the Executive on the 18 September 2023 and the content of the report.
- (2) That the Street Trading Policy, Designation of Streets and the new fees and charges, be approved as set out in Appendix A to the report.

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38. HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING POLICY 2023

The Executive Member for Communities and Safety submitted a report proposing the Council adopts a new overarching Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy to be effective from the 1 December 2023, and to be reviewed every five years. The recommendations of the report had been agreed by the Executive on 15 November 2023.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Council note the recommendations of the Executive on the 15 November 2023.
- (2) That the proposed Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy, be approved which includes the amendments set out at 3.19 in the report.
- (3) That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place, in consultation with the Executive Member for Communities and Safety, to bring the implementation date for vehicle age and emission standards (for existing licensed vehicles) forward from 1 April 2026 should it be deemed appropriate in support of the Clean Air agenda.

39. A REVIEW OF THE CIVIC ALLOWANCES FOR THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR OF TRAFFORD COUNCIL

The Director of Legal and Governance and Monitoring Officer submitted a report advise the Council of the recommendations of an independent review of Trafford's Civic allowances.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the Council agrees to accept the recommendations in full, as set out in the appendix to the report, namely:
 - (i) that the Civic Allowance for the Mayor of Trafford Council is reset at £10,000 per year.
 - (ii) that the Civic Allowance for the Deputy Mayor should be reset at £2,500.
 - (iii) that the Civic Allowances paid to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Trafford Council are indexed to the annual percentage salary increase for local government staff (*at spinal column point 43*) as agreed each year by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services and applicable to the same year it applies to Officers and applicable for as long as the main allowances are indexed. The indexation for the Civic Allowances should commence from the start of the 2024/25 municipal year.
 - (iv) that the recommendations contained in this report are adopted from the date of the Annual Council meeting 24 May 2023.

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- (2) That the Council's thanks be conveyed to Dr Declan Hall for the work undertaken and report produced.

40. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE GREEN PARTY GROUP (DEFERRED FROM COUNCIL 19 JULY 2023) - SUPPORT THE CLIMATE AND ECOLOGY BILL

The Motion set out on the Summons regarding Support the Climate and Ecology Bill was moved and seconded.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion was put to the vote and declared carried.

RESOLVED: That:

Preamble

Humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt in the UK, and around the world. The global temperature has already increased by 1.2°C above pre-industrial levels and—alongside this—the natural world has reached crisis point, with 28% of plants and animals threatened with extinction. In fact, the UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world as more than one in seven of our plants and animals face extinction, and more than 40% are in decline.

Climate change remains a major concern for voters with 66% of people (according to YouGov) expressing they are 'worried about climate change and its effects'. Alongside this, the popularity of Sir David Attenborough's Save Our Wild Isles initiative demonstrates public concern that UK wildlife is being destroyed at terrifying speed.

Climate and Ecology Bill

The Climate and Ecology Bill, a private member's bill currently before the House of Commons, seeks to address the challenges that this situation poses by creating a whole-of-government approach to deliver a net zero and nature positive future.

Based on the latest science, the Bill aims to align current UK environmental policy with the need to halt and reverse nature loss by 2030, which was a goal agreed to at COP15, via the Kunming-Montreal Framework (22 December 2022); and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with a fair share of the remaining global carbon budget to give the strongest chance of limiting global heating to 1.5C, which was the goal agreed to at COP21, via the Paris Agreement (12 December 2015).

By bridging the gap between the UK Government's current delivery, and what has been agreed at international levels, Britain has a chance to be a world leader on the environment; seizing the opportunities of the clean energy transition, including green jobs and reduced energy bills; and boosting the UK's food and energy security.

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Trafford Council notes that:

The Climate and Ecology Bill, which has been introduced in the UK Parliament on four occasions since 2020, including most recently in the House of Commons 10 May 2023. The Bill is backed by 168 cross-party MPs and Peers and 237 local authorities, alongside the support of eminent scientists, such as Sir David King; environmental non-governmental organizations, such as The Wildlife Trusts and CPRE; businesses, such as The Co-operative Bank; and 30,000 members of the public.

The Bill would require the UK Government to develop and deliver a new environmental strategy, which would include:

1. Delivering a joined-up environmental plan, as the crises in climate and nature are deeply intertwined, requiring a plan that considers both together;
2. Reducing emissions in line with 1.5°C, ensure emissions are reduced rapidly, for the best chance of limiting warming to 1.5°C;
3. Not only halting, but also reversing the decline in nature, setting nature measurably on the path to recovery by 2030;
4. Taking responsibility for our overseas footprint, both emissions and ecological;
5. Prioritising nature in decision-making, and ending fossil fuel production and imports as rapidly as possible;
6. Ensuring that no-one is left behind, by providing for retraining for people currently working in fossil fuel industries; and
7. Giving people a say in finding a fair way forward through an independent and temporary Climate and Nature Assembly, representative of the UK population, an essential tool for bringing public opinion along with the unprecedented pace of change required.

Trafford Council therefore resolves to:

1. Support the Climate and Ecology Bill;
2. Inform local residents, and local press/media of this decision;
3. Write to Trafford's MPs, Andrew Western, Sir Graham Brady and Mike Kane, to inform them that this motion has been passed, urging them to sign up to support the Climate and Ecology Bill, or thanking them for already doing so;

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4. Write to Zero Hour, the organisers of the cross-party campaign for the Climate and Ecology Bill, expressing its support (campaign@zerohour.uk).

41. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE LIBERAL DEMOCRATS GROUP - ALTERNATING THE WEED SPRAYING PROGRAMME

RESOLVED: That the Motion be withdrawn.

42. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE LIBERAL DEMOCRATS GROUP - A FAIR DEAL ON BUSINESS RATES RETENTION

The Motion set out on the Summons regarding A Fair Deal on Business Rates Retention was moved and seconded.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion was put to the vote and declared lost.

43. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE LABOUR GROUP - VAPING

The Motion set out on the Summons regarding Vaping was moved and seconded.

The first proposed Amendment which had been set out and published, was withdrawn.

The second proposed Amendment was moved and seconded, as set out and published.

Following a debate on the matter, the Amendment was put to the vote and was unanimously carried. The substantive Motion was then put to the vote and was also carried unanimously.

RESOLVED: That over the last few years, vaping among our young people has risen sharply, both nationally and locally.

In Trafford our Public Health team undertook a Young People's Trading Standards Survey 2022 which told us:

- 10% of young people who completed the survey claimed to vape occasionally or regularly compared to the GM average of 22%;
- 77% answered that they had never tried a vape, which is higher than the GM average of 59%.

However, our Voice of the Child Champions group told us in February 2023 that they felt the prevalence estimated in this survey are inaccurate, and the number of young people vaping was higher and that most people who vaped had not smoked before.

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Also, some data we have accessed from Action on Smoking Health (ASH) shows that 8.6% of 11- to 18-year-olds in England vaped in 2022, compared with 4% in 2021.

Further data from ASH shows that single-use vapes are the chosen product for the vast majority of young people who have started using e-cigarettes (69% in 2023).

Some health groups are calling for single-use vapes to be banned completely. Unscrupulous retailers who sell vapes to children, often stock illegal products, containing high levels of toxic elements like chromium and lead.

Single-use vapes are detrimental to the environment, with over a million single-use plastic vapes and associated batteries going to landfill or littering the streets each week.

Recent Chartered Trading Standards Institute research found that 60% of local trading standards services report high street shops selling vapes or vaping products to children. Trading standards teams reported a significant rise in underage vape sales last year, with more than a fifth of youngsters buying vaping products from newsagents while 16.3% buying them from a supermarket. Schools in Trafford are mirroring this trend with secondary schools now having to confiscate vaping products on school premises.

The effects of e-cigarettes and vaping are still not yet fully understood - which is especially important in the context of young people, as their lungs are still developing. There is growing evidence that e-cigarettes can help people manage their nicotine cravings – but this isn't without risk. While research has shown vaping poses a small fraction of the risks of smoking, it is deeply worrying that more and more children – who have never smoked – are starting vaping.

The LGA has called on its members to step up enforcement to deal with growing numbers of shops selling vapes to children despite the 18-age limit, with many “especially concerned” by child-friendly marketing, including colourful packages and different flavours. We are aware of the anti-social aspects of vaping and the environmental problems that are also associated; however, this motion is concentrating on our young people's health and what we do to prevent ill health for them in the future.

This Council asks the following:

- that the Leader writes to the Secretary of state for tighter regulations on the marketing of vape products, including a ban on brightly colour packaging and a review of the flavours vape companies use which are likely to appeal to children.
- that all parties across the chamber lobby the government and their local MPs for extra funding for councils for education and support to deliver

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to our young people the real health issues that vaping causes in the long term and the short term around popcorn lung and more.

- Call for harsher punishments for companies which flout advertising rules to promote their products on social media, and for more licensing powers to allow local authorities to ban the sale of e-cigarettes in shops near schools.
- that all parties across the chamber lobby the government and their local MPs to support a ban on single-use vapes.

Also resolves that the Councils Trading standards team continue working with Public Health to:

- Carry out regular test purchases and seize products and issued fixed penalty notices when a business has been found to be in breach of the law.
- Implement mandatory age-of-sale signage on vaping products.
- Implement sanctions for breaching these rules should also be the same as penalties handed out under tobacco display regulations.

44. CROSS-PARTY MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE LIBERAL DEMOCRATS GROUP AND CONSERVATIVE GROUP - SUPPORT FOR A GREATER MANCHESTER-WIDE TRIAL OF THE BABY-BOX

With the consent of the Council, the Motion set out on the Summons regarding Support for a Greater Manchester-wide Trial of the Baby-box was altered, as set out and published before being moved and seconded.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion, as altered was put to the vote which was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED: That this Council notes:

- Across Greater Manchester, more than one in every three children grow up in poverty. Three of the 20 local authorities with the highest levels of child poverty nationally, are in Greater Manchester.
- As many as 10 children in every classroom of 30, are not getting the start in life that they deserve.
- The pandemic has compounded this situation, leading to a spike in child poverty rates of approximately 6% during the 'pandemic years' – 2020 and 2021.

This Council believes in the power of early intervention and in the positive difference that can be made when health services provide meaningful support to families and children from birth.

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The Baby Box scheme is a care package which is delivered to expectant parents, carers and guardians in the early stages of a child's life. It is loaded with essentials such as clothing, reusable nappies, maternity pads, blankets, wraps and slings, as well as books, vouchers and advice for new parents. The box itself doubles as a small cot.

The principle behind the Baby Box is that every child should be offered the best possible start in life.

Finland and Scotland have long since adopted the Baby Box. Each have seen this contributing to a steady and sustained positive impact on child poverty rates, as well as on infant mortality rates and rates of post-natal depression, among other positive health impacts.

The universal nature of the baby box in both countries means that no stigma is placed on families for receiving support.

Whilst a universally implemented Baby Box could deliver positive outcomes for children and families across Greater Manchester, this council recognises the current strain on public sector finance and therefore advocates for a proportionate universal approach to be explored in developing a Greater Manchester-wide trial of the Baby Box.

This Council also acknowledges and values the support already offered to new parents in Trafford by community and voluntary services such as The Little Green Sock Project and our Trafford Community Hubs, as well as the role of businesses in driving positive health outcomes for the people of Greater Manchester. We would seek to engage with such communities when exploring options for a Baby Box scheme.

This Council resolves:

- that the Leader of the Council, the Executive Member for Health and Care and Executive Member for Children and Young People engage with Council Officers and Children's Scrutiny committee to explore the feasibility of introducing a Baby Box scheme in Trafford, comparing this with other assistance already in place, in alignment with our existing strategies to tackle poverty.
- If it is assessed that a Baby Box offer is feasible in Trafford, report our findings to the Mayor of Greater Manchester and the Deputy Mayor for Health, calling for the exploration of sources of funding and options for the delivery of an ethical and sustainable Baby Box trial in Greater Manchester.

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**45. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE CONSERVATIVE GROUP - ALTRINCHAM
MINOR INJURIES UNIT**

The Motion set out on the Summons regarding Altrincham Minor Injuries Unit was moved and seconded.

An Amendment was moved and seconded, as set out and published.

Following a debate on the matter, the Amendment was put to the vote and declared lost.

A second Amendment was moved and seconded, as set out and published.

Following a debate on the matter, the second Amendment was put to the vote and declared lost. The substantive Motion was then put to the vote and declared lost.

**46. MOTION SUBMITTED BY THE CONSERVATIVE GROUP - FREE AFTER
THREE PARKING SCHEME**

The Motion set out on the Summons regarding a Free After Three Parking Scheme was moved and seconded.

Following a debate on the matter, the Motion was put to the vote and declared lost.

The meeting commenced at 7.00 p.m. and finished at 9.23 p.m.

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TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Council
Date: Wednesday 31st January 2024
Report for: Decision
Report of: Sara Todd, (Acting) Returning Officer, Chief Executive

Report Title

Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

Summary

The report sets out proposals to enable the Council to comply with its statutory duty to review all Parliamentary polling districts and polling places and to review all Local Government polling districts and polling places at the same time.

Recommendation(s)

The Council is recommended to: -

- (1) Note the outcome of the Local Authority's review of its polling districts and polling places;
- (2) Agree the proposed relocations of polling places as detailed in the report and set out in Appendix A;
- (3) Agree the proposed re-designation of polling districts as detailed in the report and as set out in Appendix B; and
- (4) Delegate authority to the Returning Officer to:
 - 4.1 make further necessary changes to polling places/polling stations that may occur before the elections on 2 May 2024. This includes making changes to any polling place, should it become unavailable, prior to the election – thus allowing the polling place to be changed without full Council approval

Contact person for access to background papers and further information:

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1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 Please see attached appendices:
Appendix A – Polling Districts and Polling Places Proposals
Appendix B – Maps of Wards and Polling Districts
Appendix C – List of Wards and Polling Districts
Appendix D – Consultation Results
- 1.2 To consider the Council's proposals for the statutory review of polling districts and polling places.
- 1.3 Under the Representation of the People Act 1983, the Council has a duty to divide their area into polling districts, to designate polling places for those polling districts, and to keep their electoral arrangements under review.
- 1.4 The Electoral Administration and Registration Act 2013 introduced compulsory timescales for the completion of statutory reviews of parliamentary polling districts and polling, reflecting the requirements as set out in Fixed Term Parliamentary Act 2011. In accordance with the 2013 Act, the Council's next review must be completed between 1 October 2023 and 31 January 2025.
- 1.5 Key definitions:
 - 1.5.1 **Polling District** – A geographical area created by the sub-division of a UK Parliamentary Constituency. All electors within the polling district will attend the same voting place (unless a postal vote is in place)
 - 1.5.2 **Polling Place** – The building or area in which a polling station will be provided by the Acting Returning Officer within the polling district (unless special circumstances mean this is not possible)
 - 1.5.3 **Polling Station** – The room or area within the polling place where the process of voting takes place during an election

2 The Designation of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

- 2.1 The Council is responsible for the designation of polling districts within the borough. In the determination of polling district boundaries, the Council must ensure that all electors in each area have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances.
- 2.2 The Council must also designate a polling place for every polling district. This is usually with the boundary of the polling districts unless there are special circumstances e.g. lack of suitable buildings.
- 2.3 The allocation of polling stations within polling places is not a Council function but is instead it is the responsibility of the (Acting) Returning Officer.
- 2.4 In designating polling places, the Council utilises its powers under the Representation of the People Act 1983 when dividing constituencies into polling districts and in dividing wards into polling districts at local government elections.
- 2.5 Polling districts for local government elections are not automatically part of the statutory review. However, the Electoral Commission advises that polling districts for UK parliamentary and local government elections should always be the same. It therefore follows that any review of parliamentary polling arrangements should be conducted simultaneously with one of local government arrangements, and with those

for any other type of election for which provision is made for the designation of polling districts and polling places.

3. The Use of Schools

- 3.1 Although one of the aims of the review is to ensure accessible polling stations for the electorate, which most of the consultees confirmed, there were also suggestions to move away from the use of schools.
- 3.2 Where a suitable alternative to a school can be found without disadvantage to the electorate, the (Acting) Returning Officer will, subject to the building being suitable, take steps to move away from using the school.
- 3.3 The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 and the associated regulations (The Education (School Day and School Year (England) Regulations 1999 (No 3181)) requires that schools should meet for not less than 380 sessions (190 days) for pupils.
- 3.4 It should be noted that for the purpose of taking the poll in England and Wales, the (Acting) Returning Officer is entitled to use, free of charge, schools maintained or assisted by a local authority as well as those schools that received grants made out of monies provided by Parliament. This includes academies and free schools.
- 3.5 It should also be noted that the use of private premises is not guaranteed, especially at unscheduled elections, and the cost of using private premises as opposed to schools is considerably higher.
- 3.6 Ideally, the Council would have the choice of a range of fully accessible buildings, conveniently located for the electors in the area, however, this is not always the case and there are areas of the borough where schools are the only suitable premises which can accommodate voting.
- 3.7 Electoral Services Officers work with schools to find solutions to enable them to remain open while being used as polling stations. In other cases, alternative premises have been explored and utilised where possible.

4 The Review

- 4.1 Notice of the Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places was published on 9th October 2023.
- 4.2 Information regarding the review was published on the Council website and displayed at Trafford Town Hall reception.
- 4.3 As part of the consultation process, the following were individually contacted:
 - Trafford Council Councillors
 - Graham Brady MP – Altrincham and Sale West Constituency
 - Andrew Western MP – Stretford and Urmston Constituency
 - Mike Kane MP – Wythenshawe and Sale East Constituency
 - Joanne Rooney CBE – Acting Returning Officer for Wythenshawe and Sale East Constituency
 - Trafford Planning Department
 - Trafford Partnerships

4.4 Electoral Services Officers carried out visits to polling places during the consultation. The purpose of these visits was to assess the suitability of existing arrangements and identify any viable alternative options.

5.0 Consultation

5.1 The first consultation period was held between 9th October – 9th November and the second consultation period commenced on 13th November and concluded on 13th December.

5.2 During the consultation period, ward Councillors were consulted on the proposals and two drop-in sessions were held to discuss the options.

5.3 Once the consultation periods had ended and the (Acting) Returning Officer's proposals had been made, two briefing sessions were held for Members to consult them on the proposed changes.

5.4 21 responses were received across both consultation periods.

5.5 8 respondents found their polling station accessible and suitable for use as a polling station.

5.6 Representations were made to the (Acting) Returning Officer by some ward Councillors.

5.7 A summary of all the responses can be found in Appendix D.

6. Proposals

6.1 This report sets out the results of the (Acting) Returning Officer's investigations to propose suitable polling districts and polling places.

6.2 Full details of the (Acting) Returning Officer's proposals (all wards) with proposed changes can be found in Appendix A. Polling stations can unexpectedly change and/or become unavailable, especially private premises. Some are still being considered at the moment.

6.3 The maps of the proposed changes can be found in Appendix B.

6.4 In some areas of the borough polling places/districts needed to be changed.

6.5 However, in other areas of the borough as no changes have been recommended and the current arrangements will remain.

6.6 It is proposed that the names of the polling districts will change to include the number that represents the constituency at the start of the polling district name rather than the end. For example, ALA1 will become 1ALA.

7. Conclusions

7.1 After considering representations on the most appropriate polling districts and polling places, the (Acting) Returning Officer's final proposals have been submitted for approval by the Council.

- 7.3 Should the Council agree the proposals, details of the new polling places will be made available to the public at Trafford Town Hall and on the Council's website.
- 7.4 The following will also be made available for inspection:
- All correspondence sent to the (Acting) Returning Officer in connection with the review;
 - All correspondence sent to any person whom the authority contacted because they had particular expertise in relation to access to premises or facilities for disabled people;
 - All representations made by any person in connection with the review;
 - Details of the designation of polling districts and polling places within its area as a result of the review; and
 - Further information can be found at <https://www.trafford.gov.uk/about-your-council/elections/Polling-districts-and-polling-places-review.aspx>

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Altrincham

Current Polling Stations for Altrincham

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
ALA1	St Georges Parish Hall, Church Walk, Altrincham, WA14 4TT	742
ALB1	Evangelical Church, Devonshire Road, Altrincham, WA14 4EZ	1786
ALC1	Altrincham Methodist Church, Barrington Road, Altrincham, WA14 1HF	2243
ALD1	St Vincents Catholic Primary School, Orchard Road, Altrincham, WA15 8EU	1088
ALE1	Altrincham Library, 2 Pott Street, Altrincham, WA14 1AH	1850

Proposed Polling Stations for Altrincham

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1ALA	St Georges Parish Hall, Church Walk, Altrincham, WA14 4TT	742
1ALB	Evangelical Church, Devonshire Road, Altrincham, WA14 4EZ	1786
1ALC	Altrincham Methodist Church, Barrington Road, Altrincham, WA14 1HF	2243
1ALD	St Vincents Catholic Primary School, Orchard Road, Altrincham, WA15 8EU	1088
1ALE	Altrincham Library, 2 Pott Street, Altrincham, WA14 1AH	1850

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Ashton upon Mersey

Current Polling Stations for Ashton upon Mersey

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
AMA1	Carrington Lane Methodist Church, 34 Ennerdale Drive, Sale, M33 5NE	2531
AMB1	Ashton upon Mersey United Reformed Church, 20 Whitefield Road, Sale, M33 6NZ	3290
AMC1	St Mary Magdalene with Sale West Community Church, 44 Moss Lane, Sale, M33 6GD	1715

Proposed Polling Stations for Ashton upon Mersey

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1AMA	Carrington Lane Methodist Church, 34 Ennerdale Drive, Sale, M33 5NE	2531
1AMB	Ashton upon Mersey United Reformed Church, 20 Whitefield Road, Sale, M33 6NZ	3290
1AMC	St Mary Magdalene with Sale West Community Church, 44 Moss Lane, Sale, M33 6GD	1715

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Bowdon

Current Polling Stations for Bowdon

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
BDA1	St Lukes Church, Vicarage Lane, Bowdon, WA14 3BJ	1235
BDB1	St Lukes Church, Vicarage Lane, Bowdon, WA14 3BJ	1803
BDC1	Jubilee Centre, The Firs, Bowdon, WA14 2TQ	2432
BDD1	Oldfield Brow Primary School, Taylor Road, Altrincham, WA14 4LE	683
BDE1	Little Heath Village Hall, School Lane, Dunham Massey, WA14 4SE	365
BDF1	The Parish Room, Bent Lane, Warburton, WA13 9TQ	256
BDG1	Oldfield Brow Primary School, Taylor Road, Altrincham, WA14 4LE	1622

Proposed Polling Stations for Bowdon

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1BDA	St Lukes Church, Vicarage Lane, Bowdon, WA14 3BJ	1235
1BDB	St Lukes Church, Vicarage Lane, Bowdon, WA14 3BJ	1803
1BDC	Jubilee Centre, The Firs, Bowdon, WA14 2TQ	2432
1BDD	Church on the Brow, Taylor Road, Altrincham, WA14 4LR	683
1BDE	Little Heath Village Hall, School Lane, Dunham Massey, WA14 4SE	365
1BDF	The Parish Room, Bent Lane, Warburton, WA13 9TQ	256
1BDG	Church on the Brow, Taylor Road, Altrincham, WA14 4LR	1622

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Following a site visit and confirming it's suitability as a polling station, we recommend moving the polling station in 1BDD and 1BDG from Oldfield Brow Primary School to Church on the Brow.



Broadheath

Current Polling Stations for Broadheath

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
BHA1	St Albans Hall, Lindsell Road, West Timperely, WA14 5NX	2012
BHB1	Broadheath Community Hall, 160 Sinderland Road, Altrincham, WA14 5JQ	2546
BHC1	Woodheys Park Pavillion, Kenmore Road/Woodhouse Lane, Sale, M33 4LP	1462
BHD1	Woodheys Park Pavillion, Kenmore Road/Woodhouse Lane, Sale, M33 4LP	1096
BHE1	Park Road Academy Primary School, Frieston Road, Timperley, WA14 5AP	1655

Proposed Polling Stations for Broadheath

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1BHA	St Albans Hall, Lindsell Road, West Timperely, WA14 5NX	2012
1BHB	Broadheath Community Hall, 160 Sinderland Road, Altrincham, WA14 5JQ	2546
1BHC	Woodheys Park Pavillion, Kenmore Road/Woodhouse Lane, Sale, M33 4LP	1462
1BHD	Woodheys Park Pavillion, Kenmore Road/Woodhouse Lane, Sale, M33 4LP	1096
1BHE	Park Road Academy Primary School, Frieston Road, Timperley, WA14 5AP	1655

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Hale

Current Polling Stations for Hale

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
HAA1	2 nd Hale Scout HQ, Lilac Road, Hale, WA15 8BJ	1732
HAB1	St Peters Assembly Rooms, 136 Cecil Road, Hale, WA15 9NU	2197
HAC1	Stamford Park Primary School Nursery, Oak Road, Hale, WA15 9JB	1822
HAD1	St Peters House, 233 Ashley Road, Hale, WA15 9SS	1956

Proposed Polling Stations for Hale

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1HAA	2 nd Hale Scout HQ, Lilac Road, Hale, WA15 8BJ	1732
1HAB	St Peters Assembly Rooms, 136 Cecil Road, Hale, WA15 9NU	2197
1HAC	Hale Methodist Church, Hale Road, Altrincham, WA15 9HL	1822
1HAD	St Peters House, 233 Ashley Road, Hale, WA15 9SS	1956

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Following a site visit and confirming it's suitability as a polling station, we recommend moving the polling station in 1HAC from Stamford Park Primary School to Hale Methodist Church.



Hale Barns & Timperley South

Current Polling Stations for Hale Barns & Timperley South

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
HTA1	All Saints Church, Hale Road, Hale Barns, WA15 8SP	3445
HTB1	Well Green Lodge, Wellfield Lane, Hale, WA15 8NW	2500
HTC1	Christ Church, Thorley Lane, Timperley, WA15 7AN	854
HTD1	Christ Church, Thorley Lane, Timperley, WA15 7AN	722

Proposed Polling Stations for Hale Barns & Timperley South

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1HTA	All Saints Church, Hale Road, Hale Barns, WA15 8SP	3445
1HTB	Well Green Lodge, Wellfield Lane, Hale, WA15 8NW	2500
1HTC	Christ Church, Thorley Lane, Timperley, WA15 7AN	854
1HTD	Christ Church, Thorley Lane, Timperley, WA15 7AN	722

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Manor

Current Polling Stations for Manor

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
MAA1	Sale West Conference Centre, Room 3, Manor Avenue, Sale, M33 5JX	3612
MAB1	The Avenue Methodist Church, Wincham Road, Sale, M33 4PL	1814
MAC1	Sale West Community Centre, Newbury Avenue, Sale, M33 4QW	2944

Proposed Polling Stations for Manor

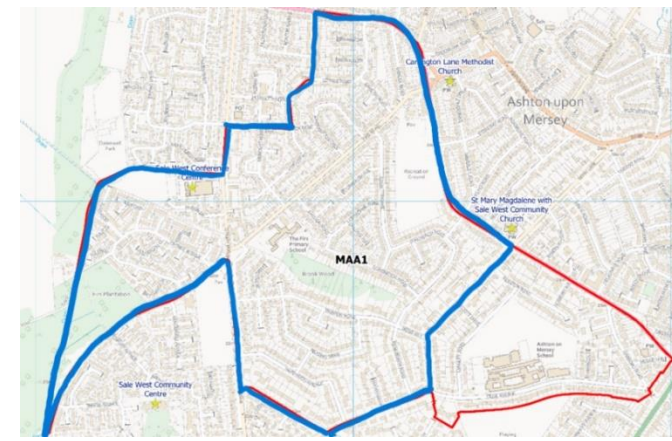
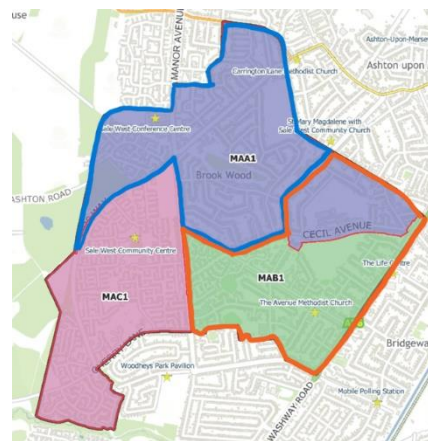
Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1MAA	Sale West Conference Centre, Room 3, Manor Avenue, Sale, M33 5JX	3612
1MAB	The Avenue Methodist Church, Wincham Road, Sale, M33 4PL	1814
1MAC	Sale West Community Centre, Newbury Avenue, Sale, M33 4QW	2944

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(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Amendments to the boundaries of 1MAA and 1MAB are proposed as demonstrated by the maps.

No amendments to polling stations are proposed.





Timperley Central

Current Polling Stations for Timperley Central

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
TCA1	Broomwood Community Centre, Mainwood Road, Timperley, WA15 7JF	3372
TCB1	Timperley Methodist Church, Stockport Road, Timperley, WA15 7UG	1931
TCC1	Timperley Methodist Church, Stockport Road, Timperley, WA15 7UG	1630
TCD1	St Vincents Catholic Primary School, Orchard Road, Altrincham, WA15 8EU	1477

Proposed Polling Stations for Timperley Central

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1TCA	145 Altrincham & Hale Royal Air Force Air Cadets, Mainwood Road, Timperley, WA15 7JU	3372
1TCB	Timperley Methodist Church, Stockport Road, Timperley, WA15 7UG	1931
1TCC	Timperley Methodist Church, Stockport Road, Timperley, WA15 7UG	1630
1TCD	Timperley Sports Club, Stockport Road, Altrincham, WA15 7LU	1477

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Following a site visit and confirming it's suitability as a polling station, we recommend moving the polling station in 1TCD from St Vincents Catholic Primary School to Timperley Sports Club.

Due to the unavailability of Broomwood Community Centre, we recommend moving the polling station in 1TCA to 145 Altrincham & Hale Royal Air Force Air Cadets.



Timperley North

Current Polling Stations for Timperley North

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
TNA1	Heyes Lane Primary School, Crofton Avenue, Timperley, WA15 6BZ	1952
TNB1	Holy Cross Church Hall, Park Road, Timperley, WA15 6QG	3110
TNC1	St Johns Church Hall, Brooklands Road, Sale, M33 3PB	812
TND1	Mobile Station Broadheath, Corner of St Andrews Avenue and Bridge Grove	1385
TNE1	2 nd Timperley Scout HQ, Heyes Drive, Timperley, WA15 6ED	1387

Proposed Polling Stations for Timperley North

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
1TNA	Heyes Lane Primary School, Crofton Avenue, Timperley, WA15 6BZ	1952
1TNB	Holy Cross Church Hall, Park Road, Timperley, WA15 6QG	3110
1TNC	St Johns Church Hall, Brooklands Road, Sale, M33 3PB	812
1TND	Mobile Station Broadheath, Corner of St Andrews Avenue and Bridge Grove	1385
1TNE	2 nd Timperley Scout HQ, Heyes Drive, Timperley, WA15 6ED	1387

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Bucklow-St Martins

Current Polling Stations for Bucklow-St Martins

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
BSA2	Mobile Polling Station, Former Carrington Garage Site, Manchester Road, M31 4BX	389
BSB2	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, Lock Lane, Partington, M31 4PJ	1219
BSC2	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, Lock Lane, Partington, M31 4PJ	1516
BSD2	Partington Community Centre, Central Road, Partington, M31 4FL	1151
BSE2	Partington Community Centre, Central Road, Partington, M31 4FL	1509
BSF2	Sale West Conference Centre, Room 3, Manor Avenue, Sale, M33 5JX	1484

Proposed Polling Stations for Bucklow-St Martins

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2BSA	Mobile Polling Station, Stamford Road, Carrington, M31 4BA	389
2BSB	Gilmour House Annexe, 95 Wood Lane, Partington, M31 4LW	1219
2BSC	Gilmour House Annexe, 95 Wood Lane, Partington, M31 4LW	1516
2BSD	Partington Community Centre, Central Road, Partington, M31 4FL	1151
2BSE	Partington Community Centre, Central Road, Partington, M31 4FL	1509
2BSF	Sale West Conference Centre, Room 3, Manor Avenue, Sale, M33 5JX	1484

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Following a site visit and confirming it's suitability as a polling station, we recommend moving the polling station in 2BSB & 2BSC from Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School to Gilmour House Annexe. We also recommend moving the location of the Mobile Polling Station in 2BSA from the Former Garage Site to Stamford Road.



Davyhulme

Current Polling Stations for Davyhulme

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
DAA2	Woodsend Library, Woodsend Road, Flixton, M41 8GN	1690
DAB2	8 th Flixton Scout Group, Woodsend Crescent Road, Flixton, M41 8AD	1317
DAC2	Flixton Cricket and Sports Club, Lawrence Road, Flixton, M41 8UU	1660
DAD2	Cornerstone Methodist Church, Hayeswater Road, Davyhulme, M41 7BL	2006
DAE2	St Marys Church Hall, Entwistle Avenue, Off Davyhulme Road, M41 5TP	2140

Proposed Polling Stations for Davyhulme

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2DAA	Woodsend Library, Woodsend Road, Flixton, M41 8GN	1690
2DAB	8 th Flixton Scout Group, Woodsend Crescent Road, Flixton, M41 8AD	1317
2DAC	Flixton Cricket and Sports Club, Lawrence Road, Flixton, M41 8UU	1660
2DAD	Cornerstone Methodist Church, Hayeswater Road, Davyhulme, M41 7BL	2006
2DAE	St Marys Church Hall, Entwistle Avenue, Off Davyhulme Road, M41 5TP	2140

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Flixton

Current Polling Stations for Flixton

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
FLA2	Urmston Leisure Centre, Bowfell Road, Urmston, M41 5RR	1451
FLB2	Shawe Hall Community Centre, Church Road, Flixton, M41 6HJ	2498
FLC2	Flixton Primary School, Delamere Road, Flixton, M41 5QL	1011
FLD2	8 th Flixton Scout Group, Woodsend Crescent Road, Flixton, M41 8AD	1370
FLE2	Flixton House, Flixton Road, Flixton, M41 5GJ	2202

Proposed Polling Stations for Flixton

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2FLA	Urmston Leisure Centre, Bowfell Road, Urmston, M41 5RR	1451
2FLB	Shawe Hall Community Centre, Church Road, Flixton, M41 6HJ	2498
2FLC	Flixton Primary School, Delamere Road, Flixton, M41 5QL	1011
2FLD	8 th Flixton Scout Group, Woodsend Crescent Road, Flixton, M41 8AD	1370
2FLE	Flixton House, Flixton Road, Flixton, M41 5GJ	2202

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Gorse Hill & Cornbrook

Current Polling Stations for Gorse Hill & Cornbrook

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
GCA2	Stretford Sports Village Chester Centre, Great Stone Road, Stretford, M32 0ZS	1616
GCB2	Gorse Hill Studios, Cavendish Road, Stretford, M32 0PS	2948
GCC2	Metros Sports and Social Club, Moss Road, Stretford, M32 0AH	1850
GCD2	Old Trafford Community Academy, Malvern Street, Old Trafford, M15 4FL	1852

Proposed Polling Stations for Gorse Hill & Cornbrook

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2GCA	Stretford Sports Village Chester Centre, Great Stone Road, Stretford, M32 0ZS	1616
2GCB	Gorse Hill Studios, Cavendish Road, Stretford, M32 0PS	2948
2GCC	Metros Sports and Social Club, Moss Road, Stretford, M32 0AH	1850
2GCD	Old Trafford Community Academy, Malvern Street, Old Trafford, M15 4FL	1852

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Longford

Current Polling Stations for Longford

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
LOA2	St Ann's Parish Centre, Cross Street, Off Chester Road, M32 8LF	997
LOB2	Kings Road Primary School, Kings Road, Firwood, M16 0GR	3976
LOC2	St Matthews Hall – Clarke Hall, Chapel Lane, Stretford, M32 9AJ	575
LOD2	Firwood Community Centre, 72 Greatstone Road, M32 8QS	2207

Proposed Polling Stations for Longford

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2LOA	St Ann's Parish Centre, Cross Street, Off Chester Road, M32 8LF	997
2LOB	Kings Road Primary School, Kings Road, Firwood, M16 0GR	3976
2LOC	St Matthews Hall – Clarke Hall, Chapel Lane, Stretford, M32 9AJ	575
2LOD	Firwood Community Centre, 72 Greatstone Road, M32 8QS	2207

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Lostock & Barton

Current Polling Stations for Lostock & Barton

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
LBA2	Christ Church Hall, Lostock Road, Urmston, M41 0TD	3401
LBB2	Lostock Library, Selby Road, Stretford, M32 9PB	2133
LBC2	All Saints Church Hall, Barton Road, Stretford, M32 9RL	2560

Proposed Polling Stations for Lostock & Barton

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2LBA	Christ Church Hall, Lostock Road, Urmston, M41 0TD	3401
2LBB	Lostock Library, Selby Road, Stretford, M32 9PB	2133
2LBC	All Saints Church Hall, Barton Road, Stretford, M32 9RL	2560

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Old Trafford

Current Polling Stations for Old Trafford

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
OTA2	Sharon Youth Centre, Cornbrook Street, Old Trafford, M16 7WR	981
OTB2	Sharon Youth Centre, Cornbrook Street, Old Trafford, M16 7WR	2134
OTC2	St Johns Hall, St Johns Road, Old Trafford, M16 7GX	3619
OTD2	Old Trafford Sports Barn, St Hildas Road, Old Trafford, M16 9PQ	1607

Proposed Polling Stations for Old Trafford

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2OTA	Sharon Youth Centre, Cornbrook Street, Old Trafford, M16 7WR	981
2OTB	Sharon Youth Centre, Cornbrook Street, Old Trafford, M16 7WR	2134
2OTC	St Johns Hall, St Johns Road, Old Trafford, M16 7GX	3619
2OTD	Old Trafford Sports Barn, St Hildas Road, Old Trafford, M16 9PQ	1607

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Stretford & Humphrey Park

Current Polling Stations for Stretford & Humphrey Park

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
SHA2	St Matthews Hall – Clarke Hall, Chapel Lane, Stretford, M32 9AJ	1425
SHB2	Metros Sports and Social Club, Moss Road, Stretford, M32 0AH	2630
SHC2	Moss Park Junior School, Moss Park Road, Stretford, M32 9HR	2173
SHD2	Community Centre, Humphrey Lane, Urmston, M41 9PT	2395

Proposed Polling Stations for Stretford & Humphrey Park

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2SHA	St Matthews Hall – Clarke Hall, Chapel Lane, Stretford, M32 9AJ	1425
2SHB	Metros Sports and Social Club, Moss Road, Stretford, M32 0AH	2630
2SHC	Moss Park Junior School, Moss Park Road, Stretford, M32 9HR	2173
2SHD	Community Centre, Humphrey Lane, Urmston, M41 9PT	2395

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Urmston

Current Polling Stations for Urmston

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
URA2	Urmston Methodist Church Meeting Room, George Street, Urmston, M41 9BA	1725
URB2	Davyhulme Primary School, Canterbury Road, Davyhulme, M41 0RX	3197
URC2	Urmston Library, 34 Golden Way, Urmston, M41 0NA	1731
URD2	Unitarian Church Hall, Queens Road, Urmston, M41 9HA	1854

Proposed Polling Stations for Urmston

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
2URA	Urmston Methodist Church Meeting Room, George Street, Urmston, M41 9BA	1725
2URB	Davyhulme Primary School, Canterbury Road, Davyhulme, M41 0RX	3197
2URC	Urmston Library, 34 Golden Way, Urmston, M41 0NA	1731
2URD	Unitarian Church Hall, Queens Road, Urmston, M41 9HA	1854

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Brooklands

Current Polling Stations for Brooklands

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
BLA3	The Life Centre, 235 Washway Road, Sale, M33 4BP	1376
BLB3	Mobile Polling Station, Eastway/Walton Road, Sale, M33 4ER	1313
BLC3	Brooklands Primary School, Woodbourne Road, Sale, M33 3SY	1203
BLD3	Clubhouse Sale Football Club, Heywood Road, Sale, M33 3WB	1822
BLE3	Sale Moor Community Centre, Norris Road, Sale, M33 2TN	1964

Proposed Polling Stations for Brooklands

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
3BLA	The Life Centre, 235 Washway Road, Sale, M33 4BP	1376
3BLB	318 Sale Squadron ATC, Walton Road, Sale, M33 4FS	1313
3BLC	Brooklands Primary School, Woodbourne Road, Sale, M33 3SY	1203
3BLD	Clubhouse Sale Football Club, Heywood Road, Sale, M33 3WB	1822
3BLE	Sale Moor Community Centre, Norris Road, Sale, M33 2TN	1964

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Subject to a site visit and confirming it's suitability as a polling station, we recommend moving the polling station in 3BLB from Mobile Station to 318 Sale Squadron ATC.



Sale Central

Current Polling Stations for Sale Central

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
SCA3	Sale Waterside, 1 Waterside, Sale, M33 7ZF	2320
SCB3	Sale Sports Club, Clarendon Crescent, Sale, M33 2DE	1082
SCC3	St Joseph's Parish Centre, Hope Road, Sale, M33 3BF	2621
SCD3	Sale Nomads, Friars Road, M33 7UU	1468

Proposed Polling Stations for Sale Central

Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
3SCA	Sale Waterside, 1 Waterside, Sale, M33 7ZF	2320
3SCB	Sale Sports Club, Clarendon Crescent, Sale, M33 2DE	1082
3SCC	St Joseph's Parish Centre, Hope Road, Sale, M33 3BF	2621
3SCD	Sale Nomads, Friars Road, M33 7UU	1468

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

No amendments to the current polling district boundaries or polling station arrangements are proposed.



Sale Moor

Current Polling Stations for Sale Moor

Current Polling District	Current Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
SMA3	Sale Moor Methodist Church, Northenden Road, Sale Moor, M33 2PP	3509
SMB3	Sale Moor Community Centre, Norris Road, Sale, M33 2TN	2908
SMC3	St Annes Church Hall, Trinity Road, Sale, M33 3ED	1748

Proposed Polling Stations for Sale Moor

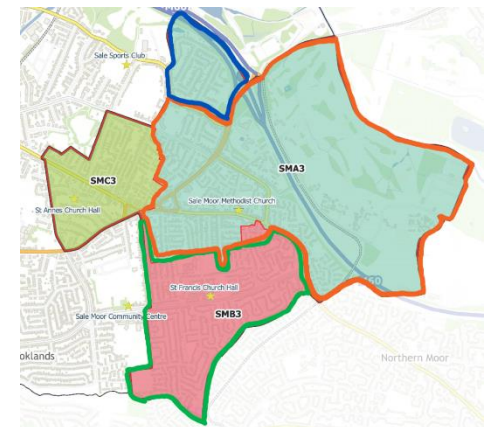
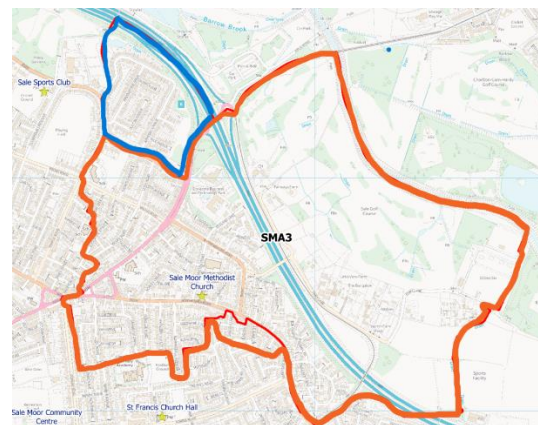
Proposed Polling District	Proposed Polling Place	Total Polling District Electorate
3SMA	Sale Moor Methodist Church, Northenden Road, Sale Moor, M33 2PP	TBC
3SMB	Sale Moor Community Centre, Norris Road, Sale, M33 2TN	2908
3SMC	St Annes Church Hall, Trinity Road, Sale, M33 3ED	1748
3SMD	Sale Sports Club, Clarendon Crescent, Sale, M33 2DE	TBC

(Acting) Returning Officer Recommendation:

Amendments to the boundaries of 3SMA and 3SMB are proposed as demonstrated by the maps.

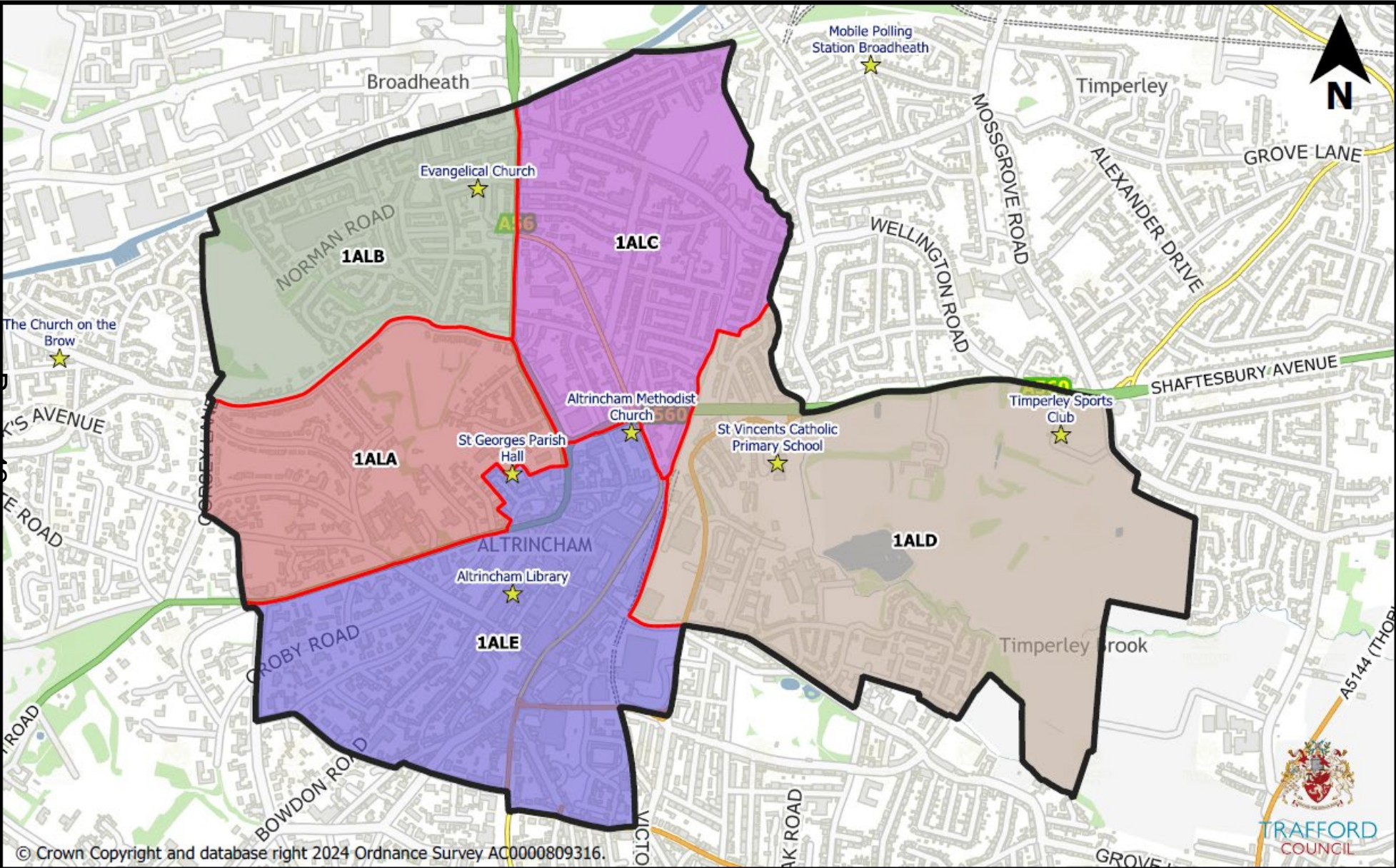
The creation of a new polling district 3SMD is proposed as shown by the blue section of 3SMA.

No changes to existing polling station arrangements are proposed.



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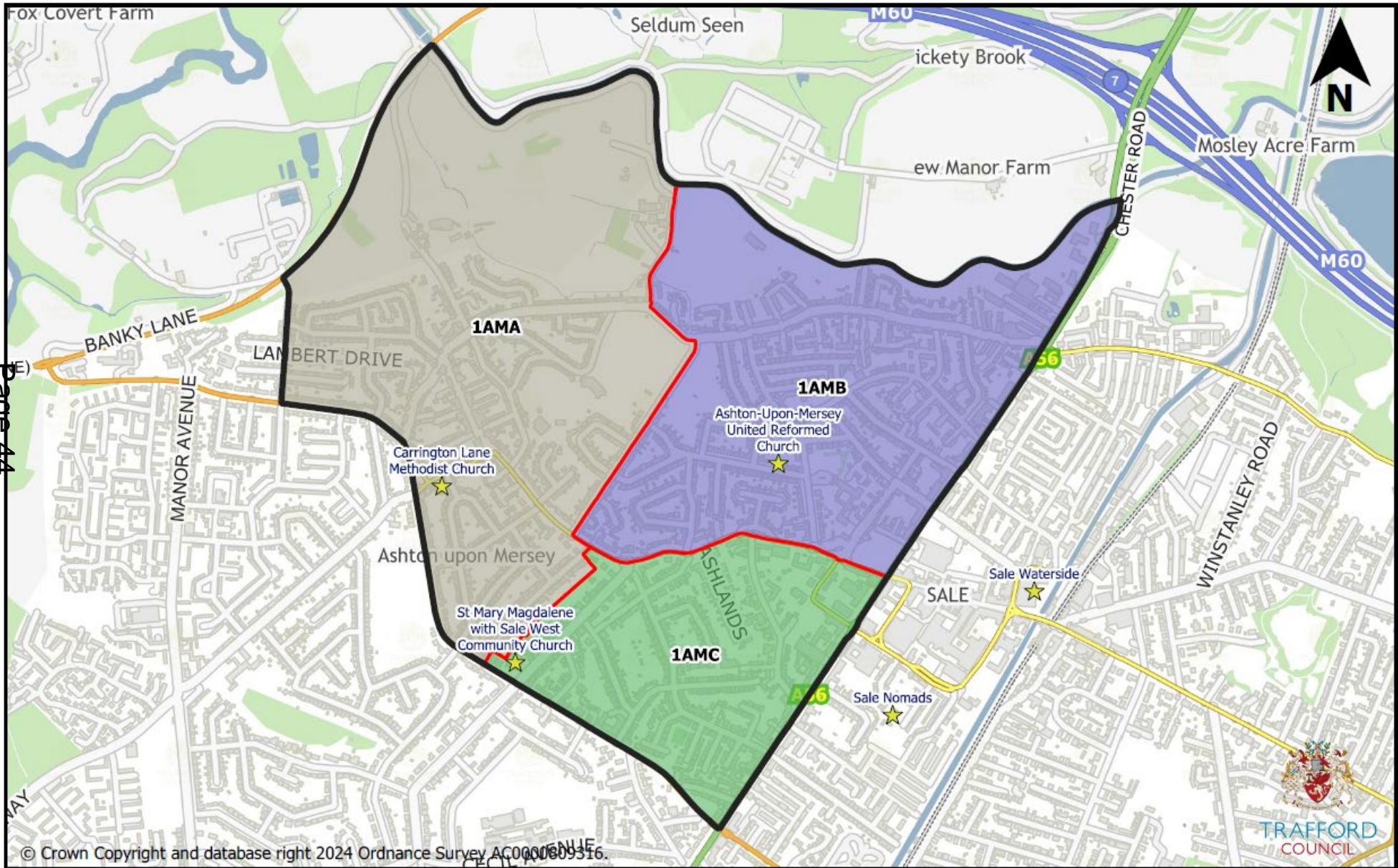
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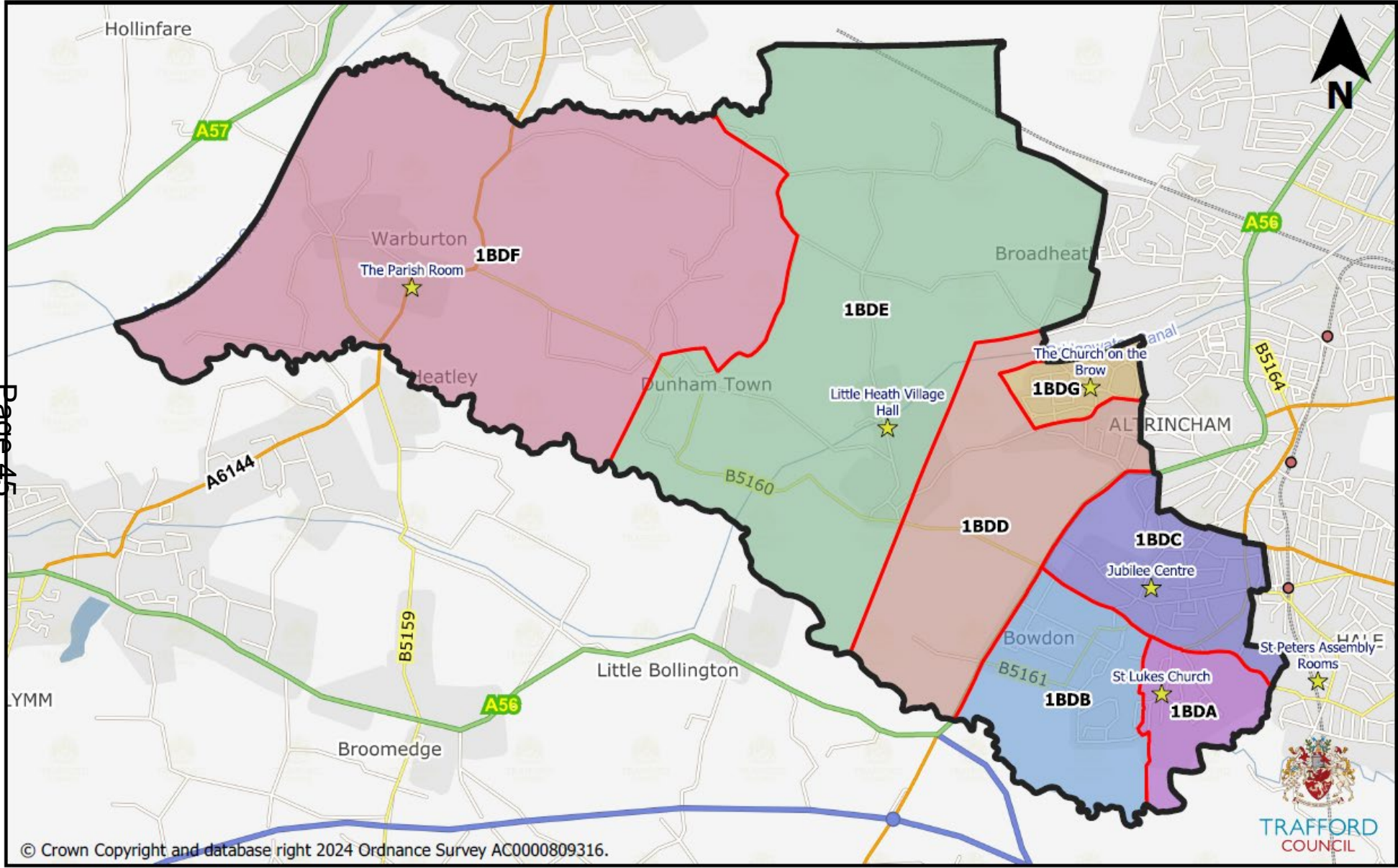
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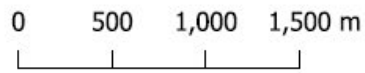
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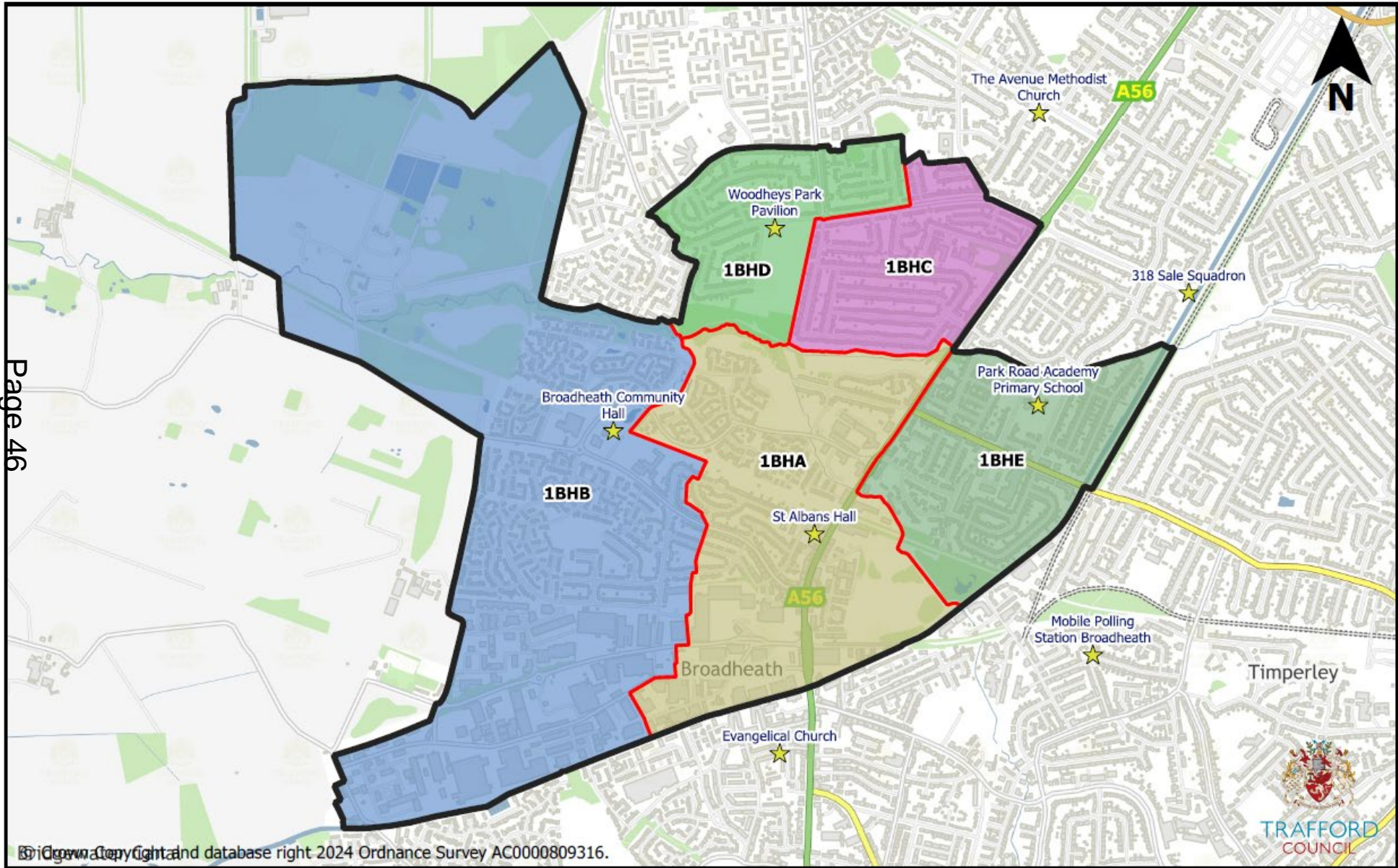
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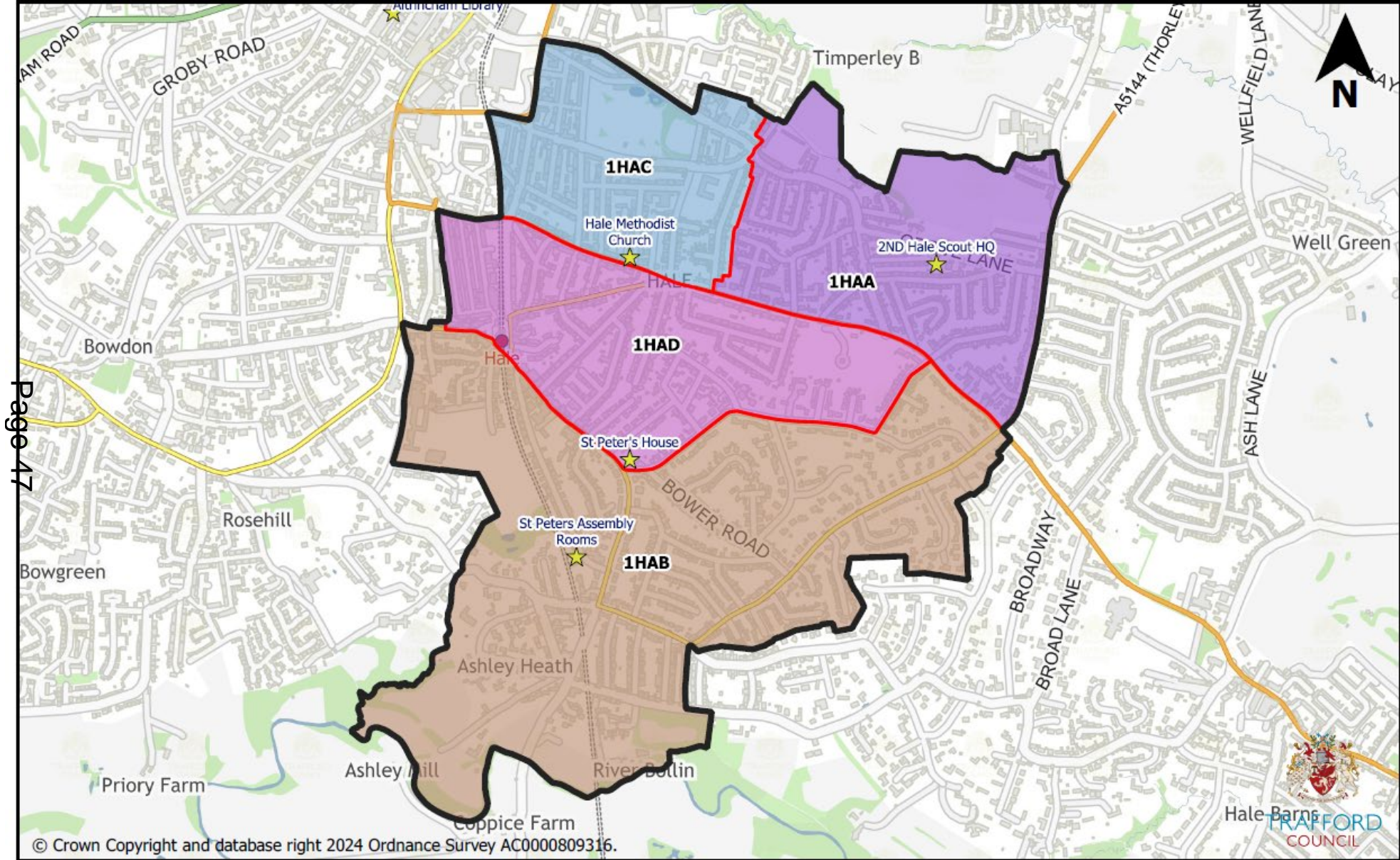


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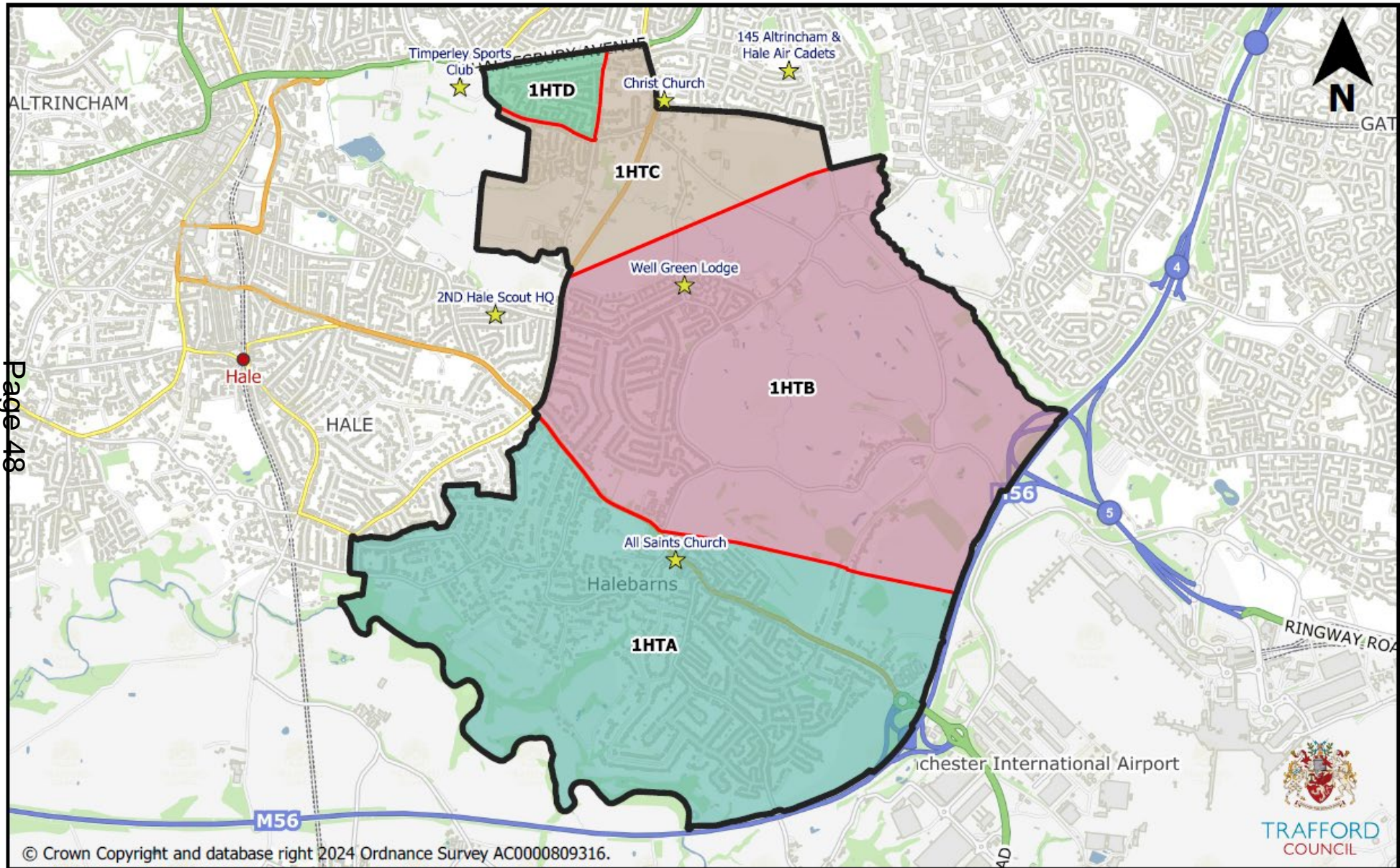


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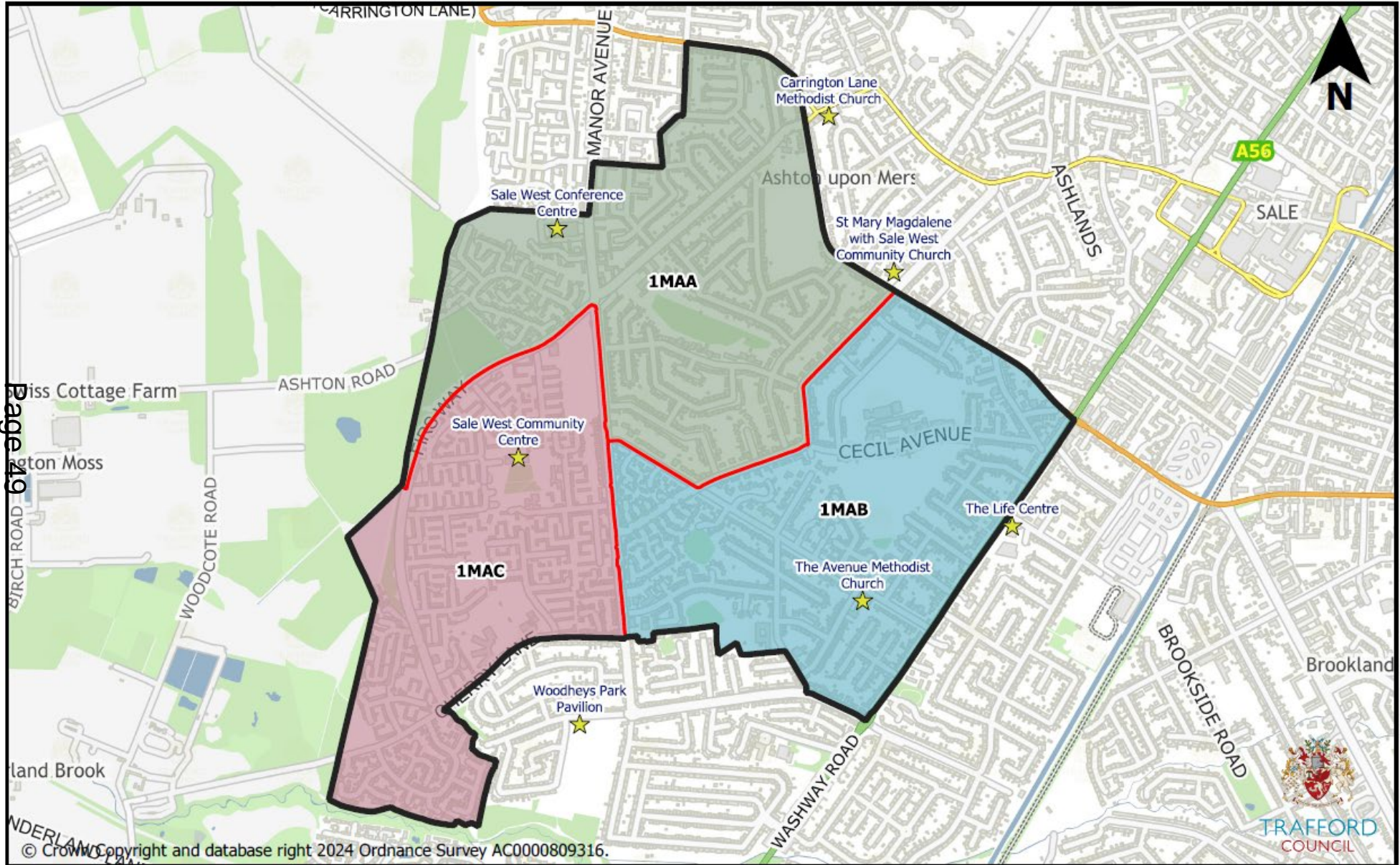
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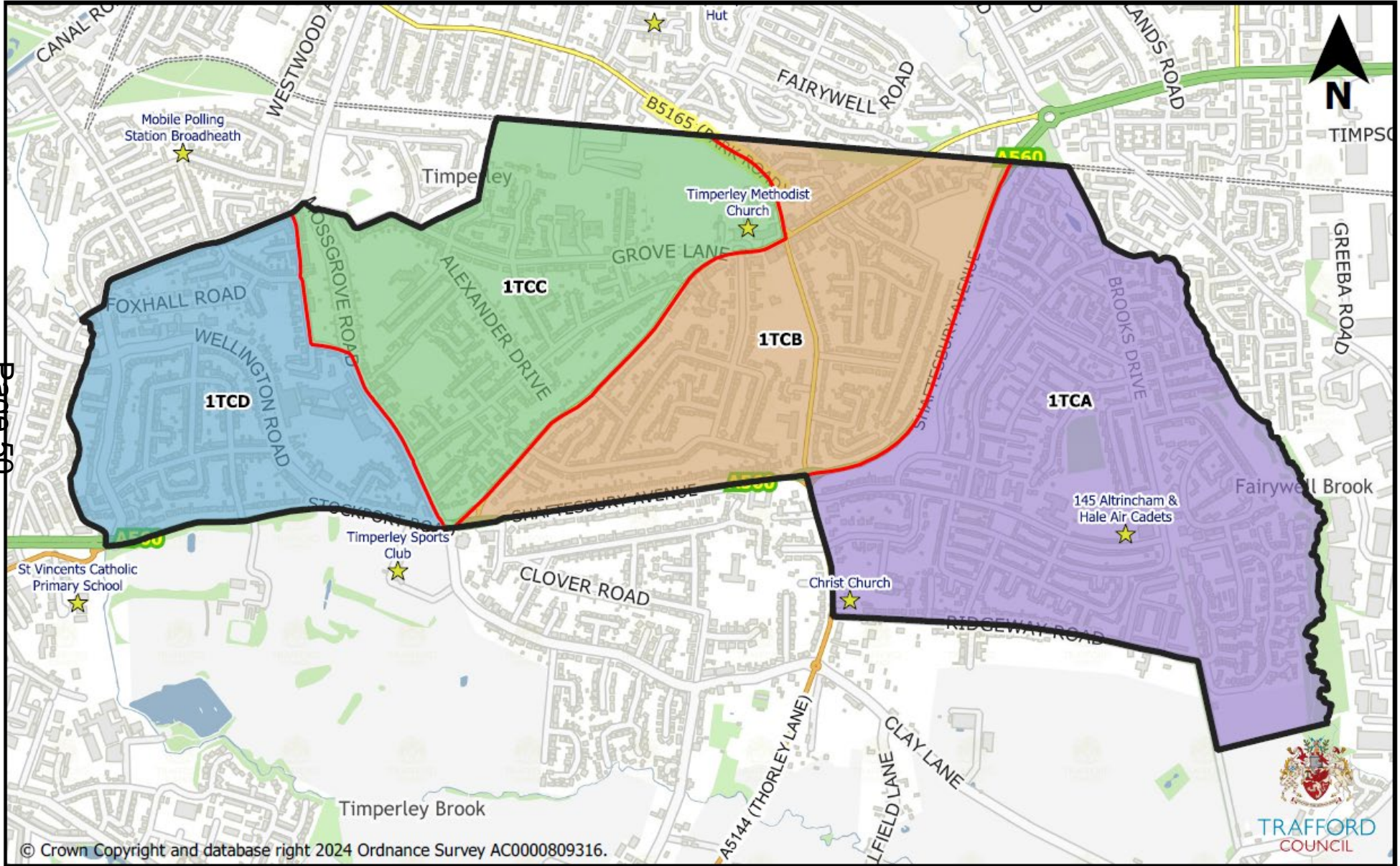
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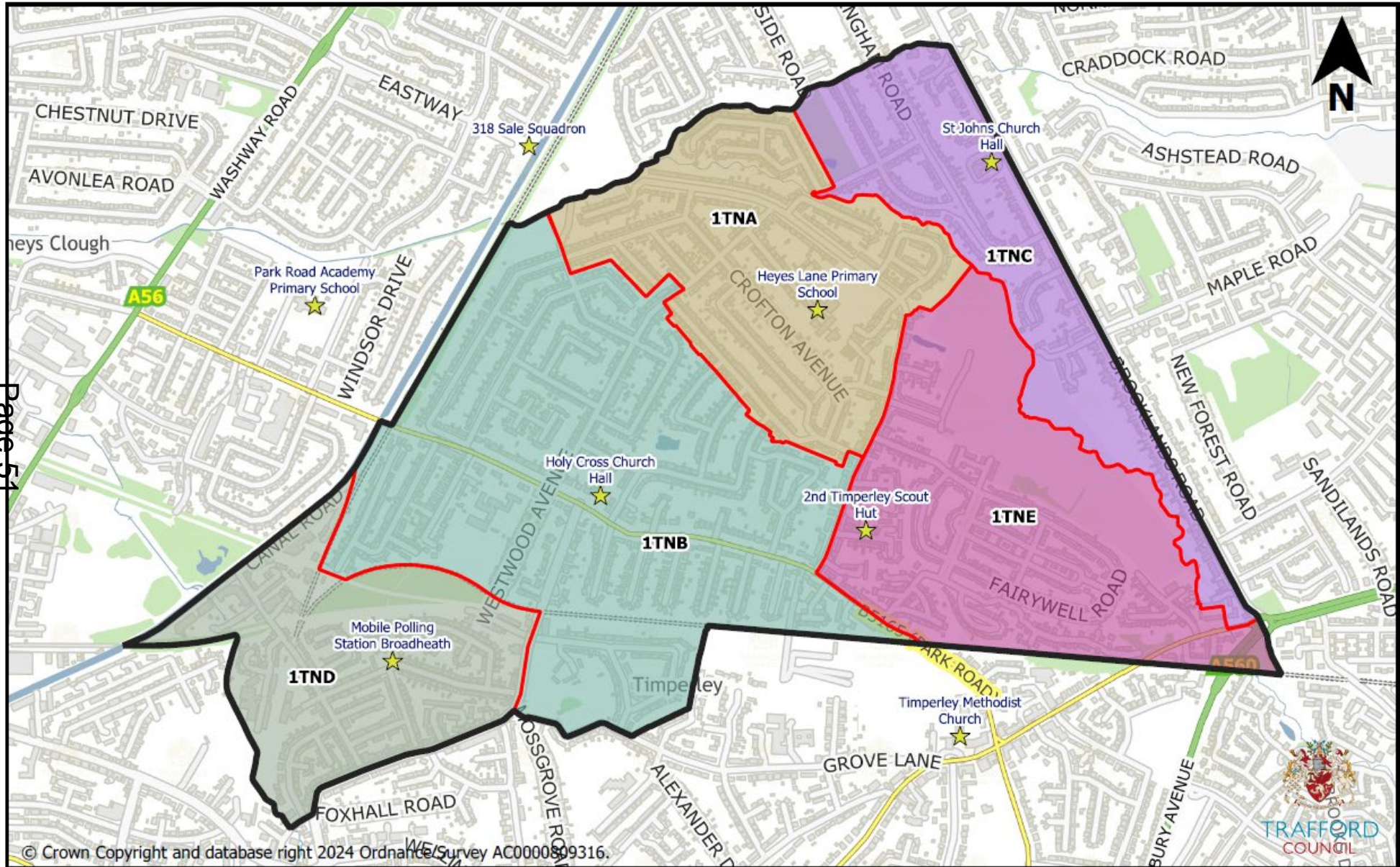
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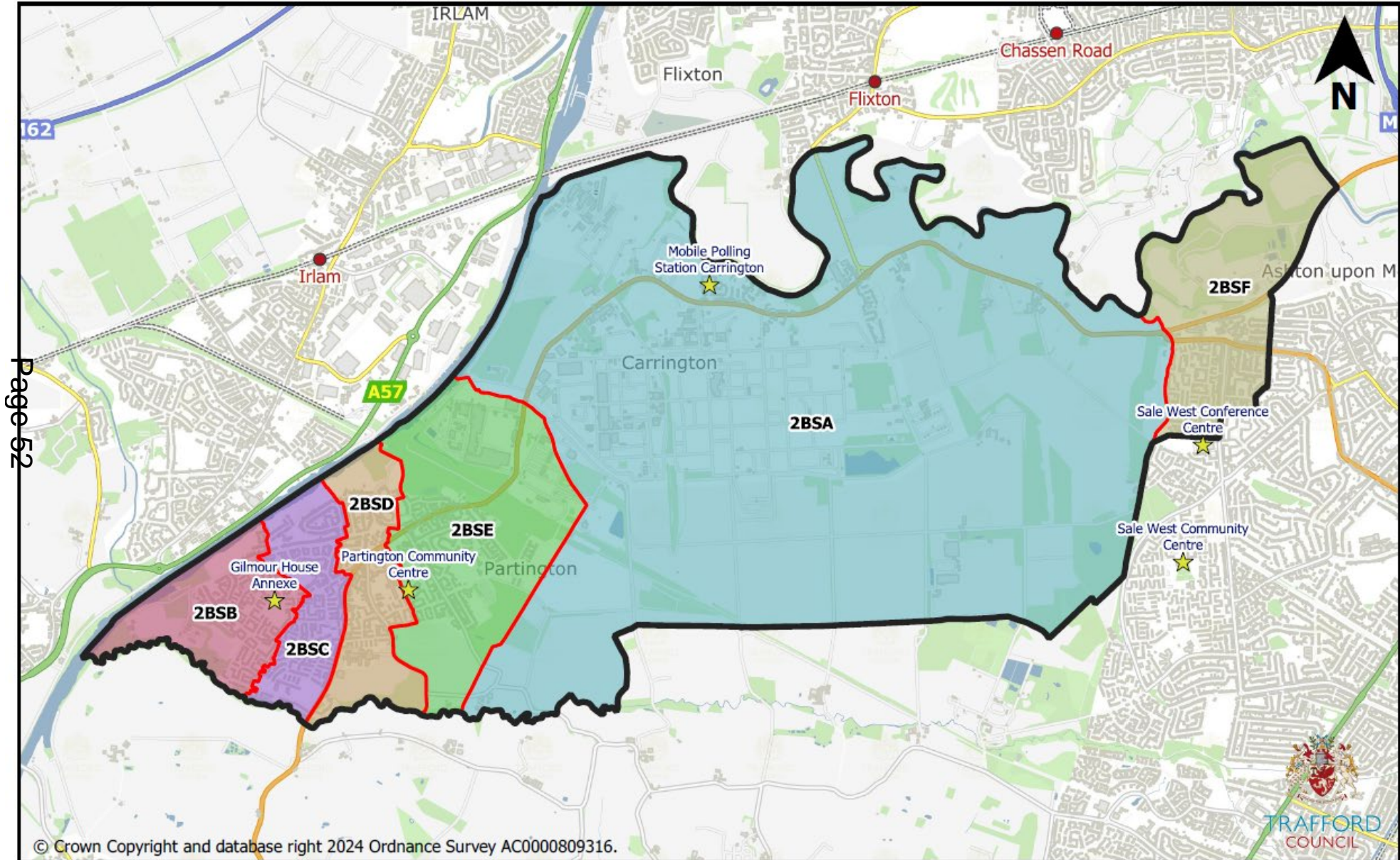
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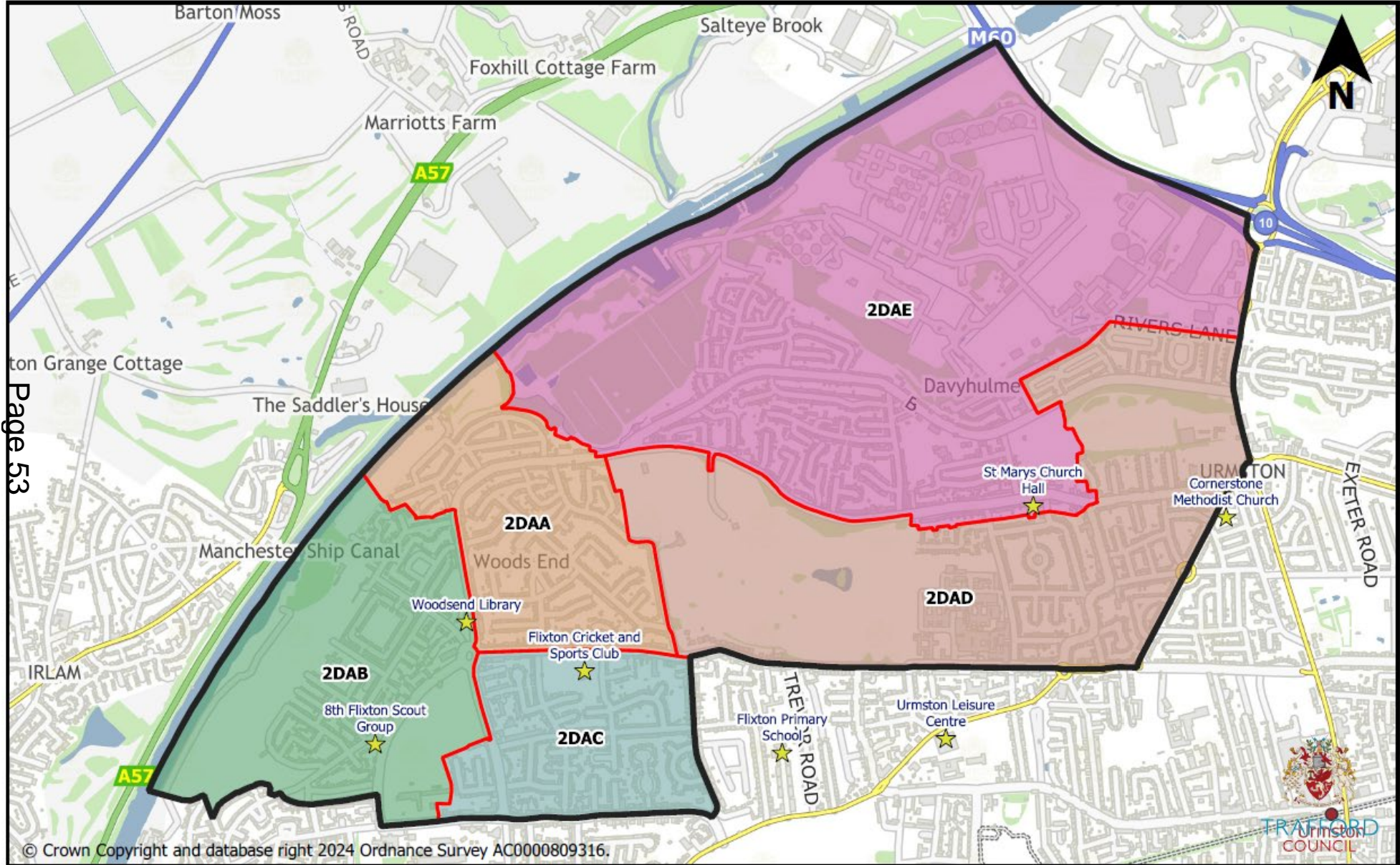
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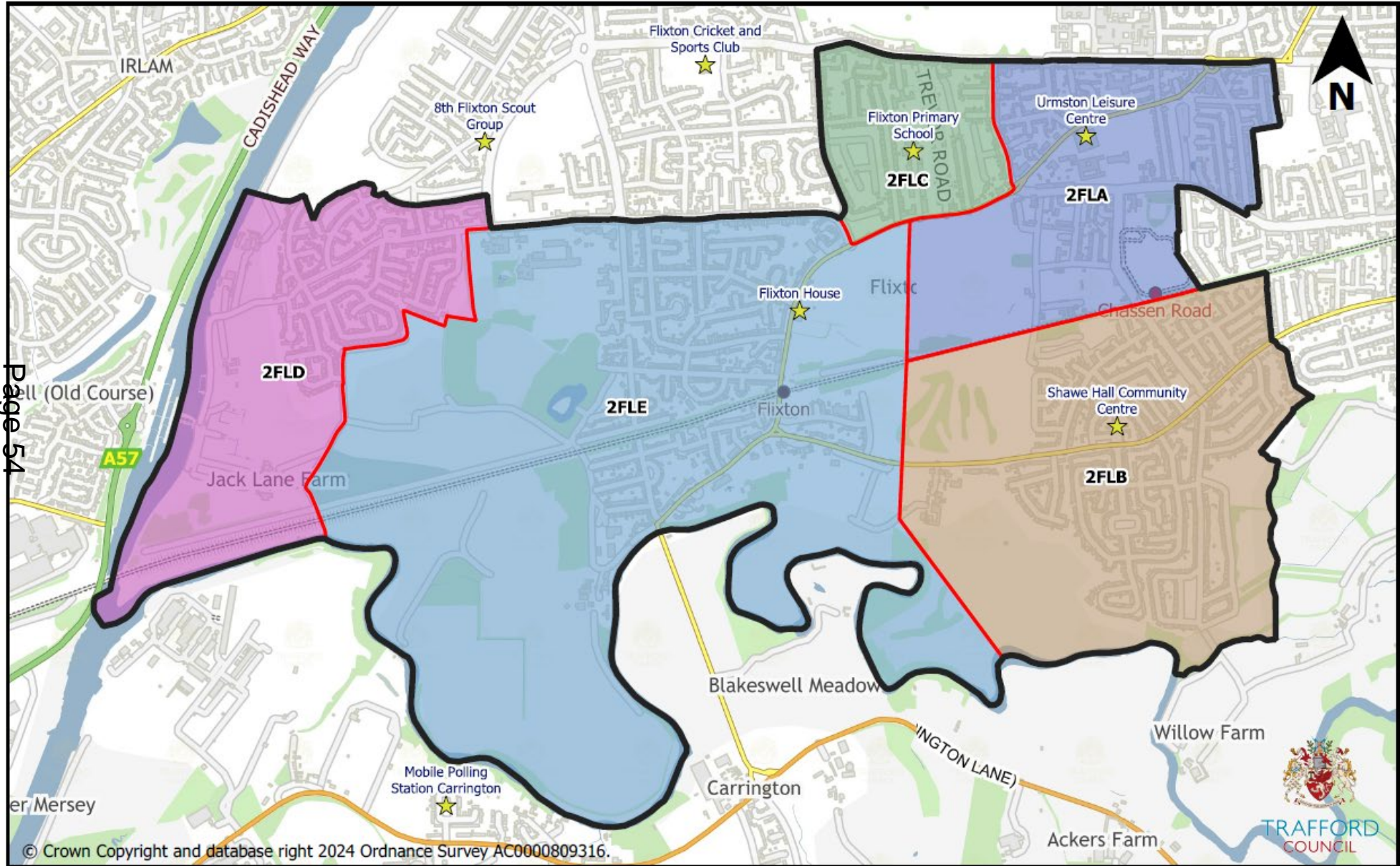
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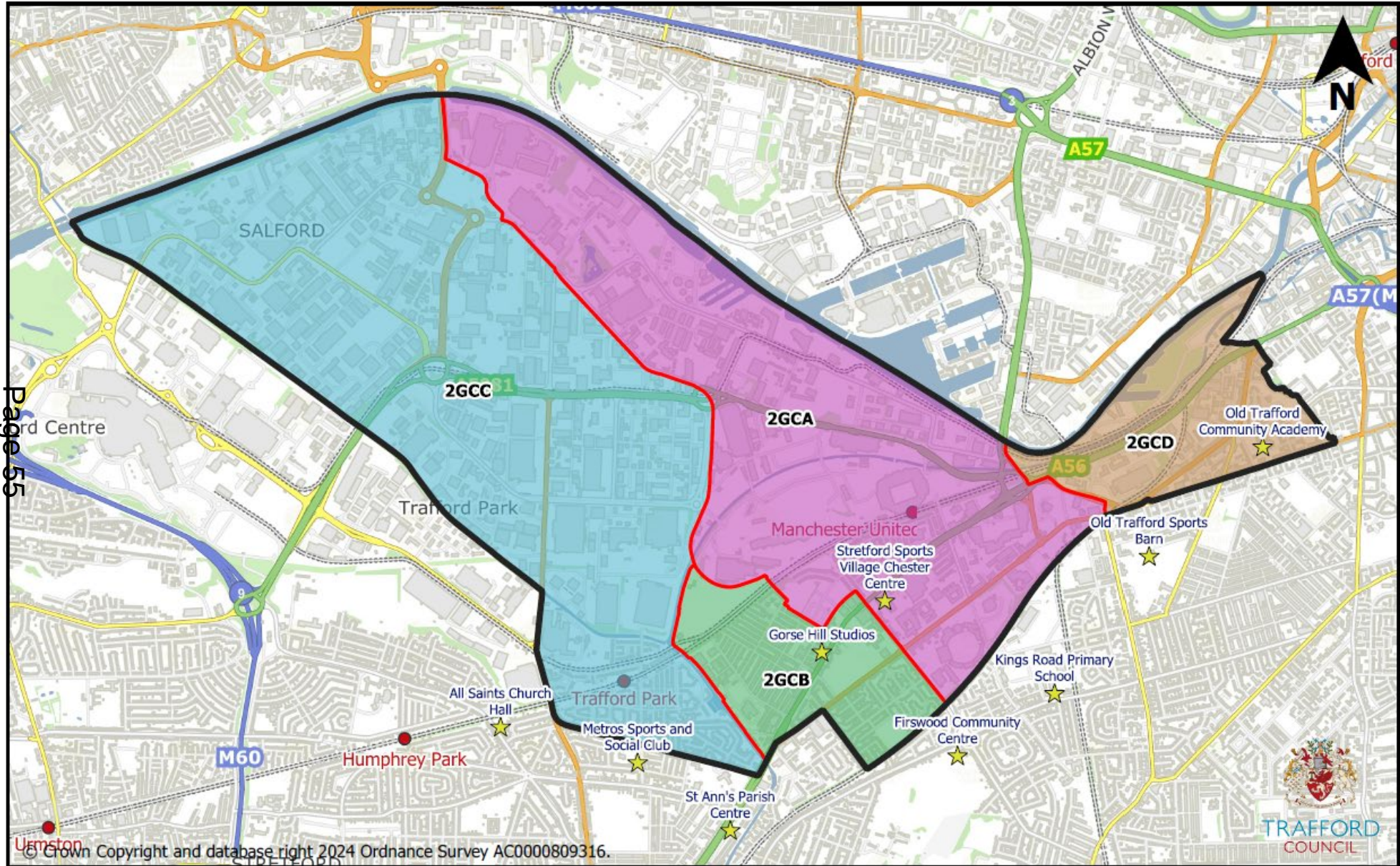
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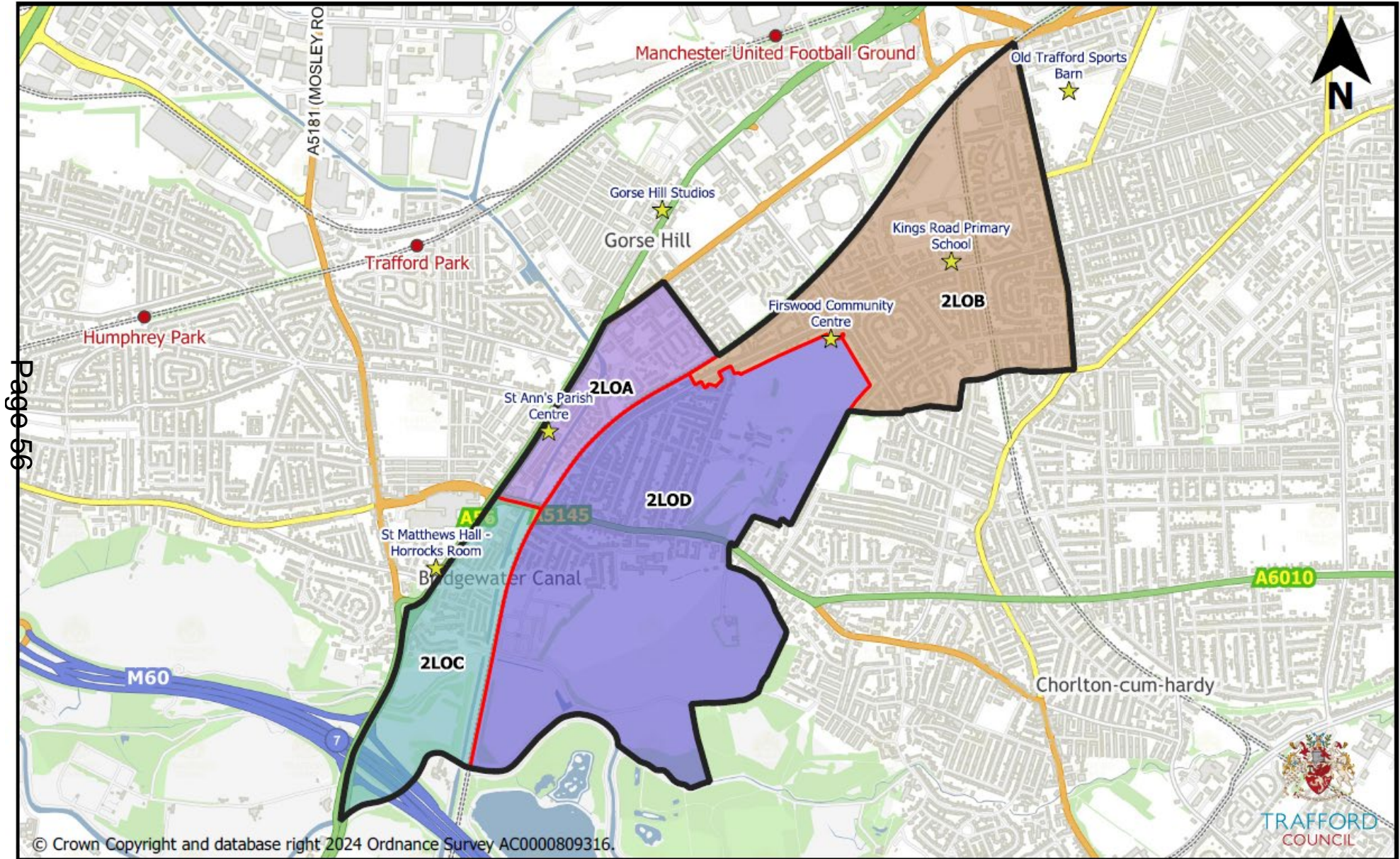
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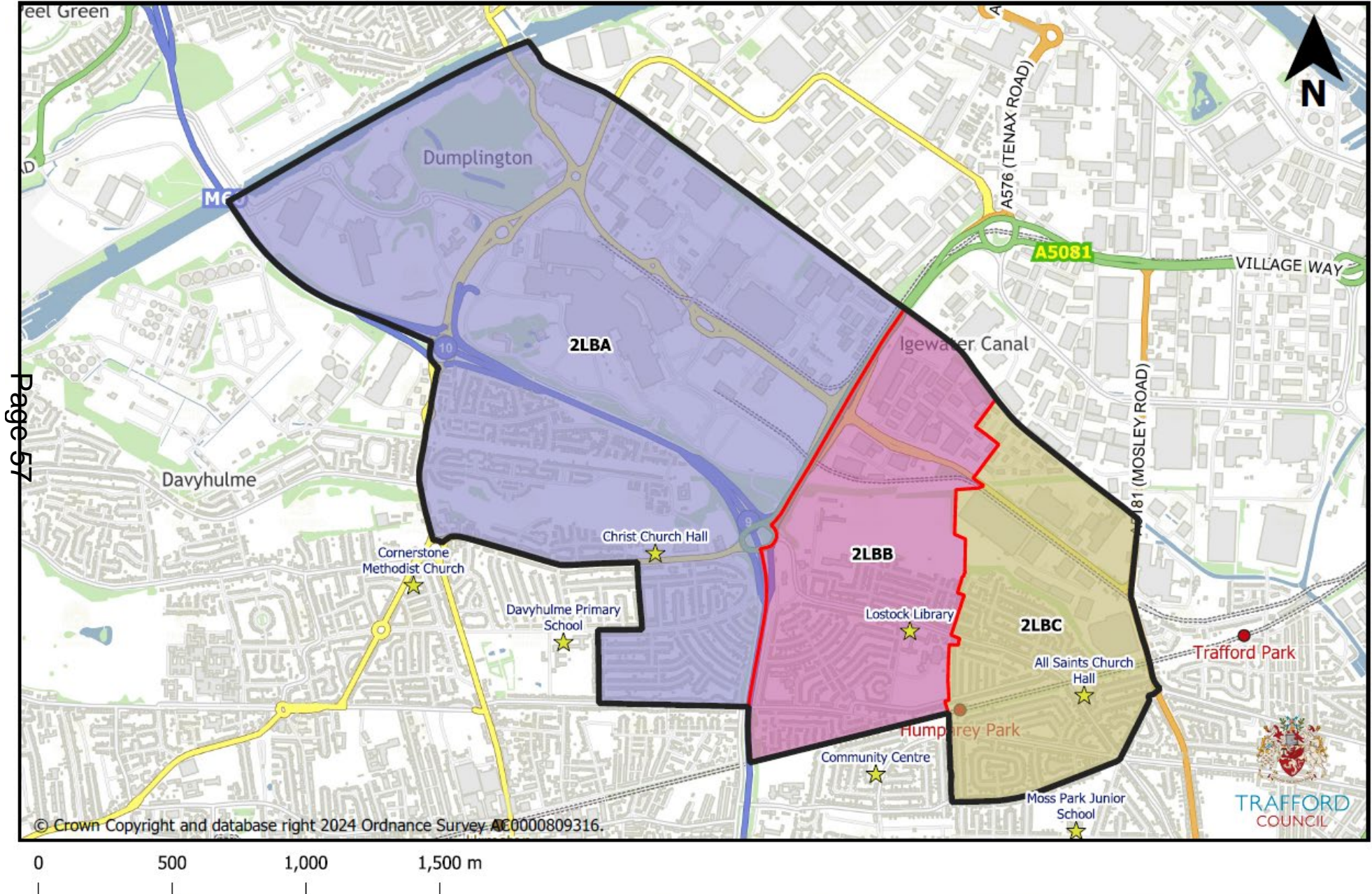
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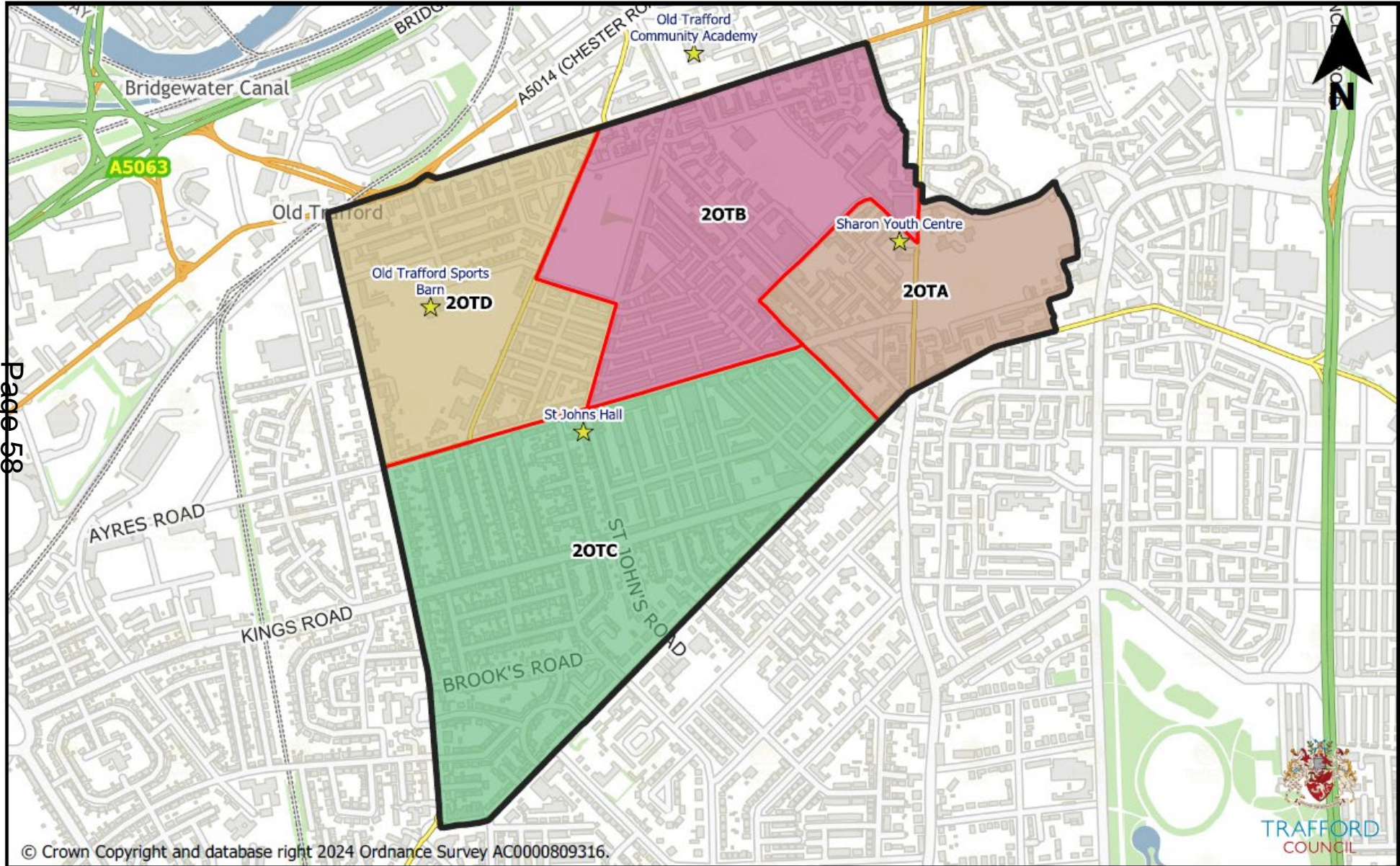
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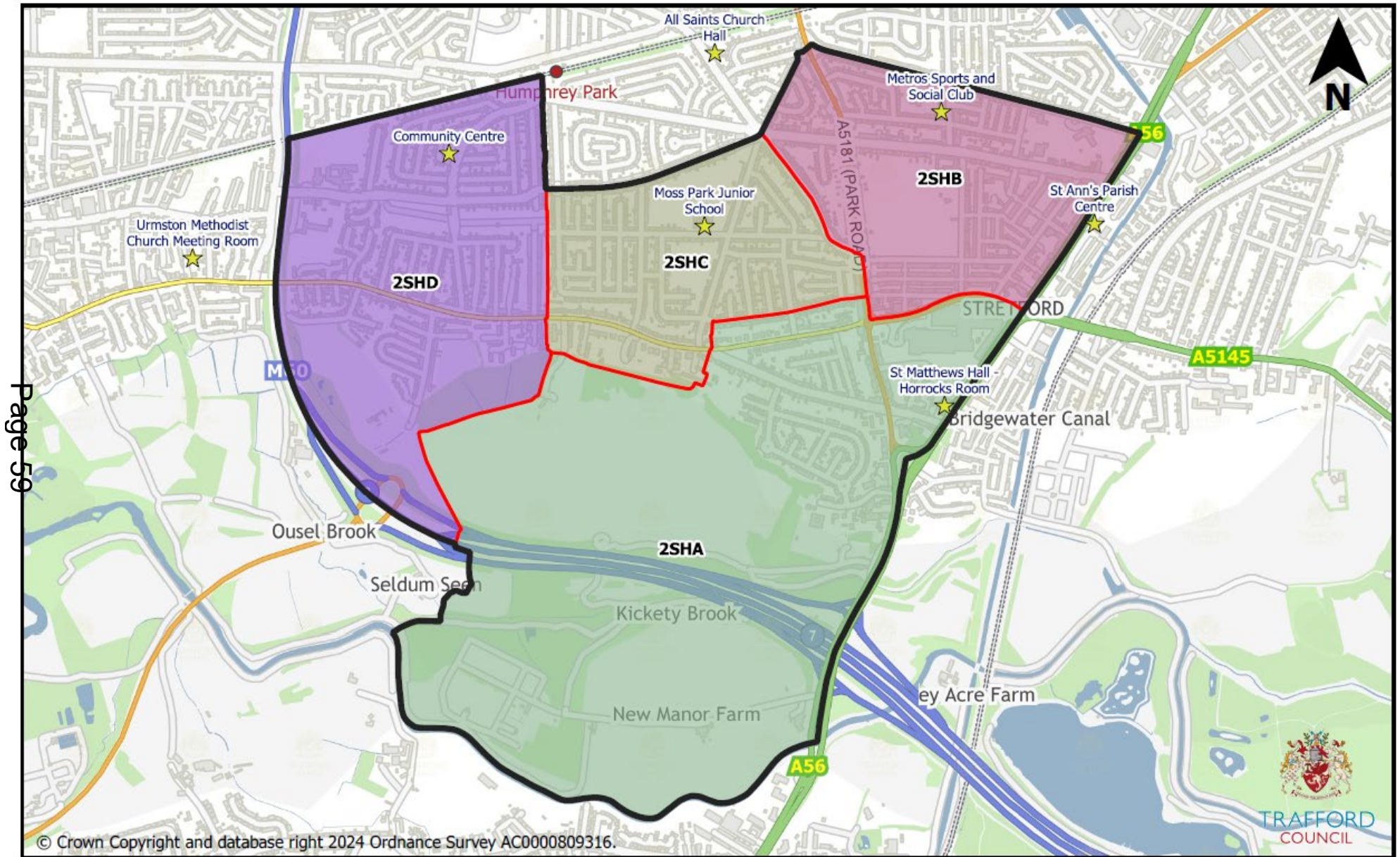
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Old Trafford



Stretford & Humphrey Park



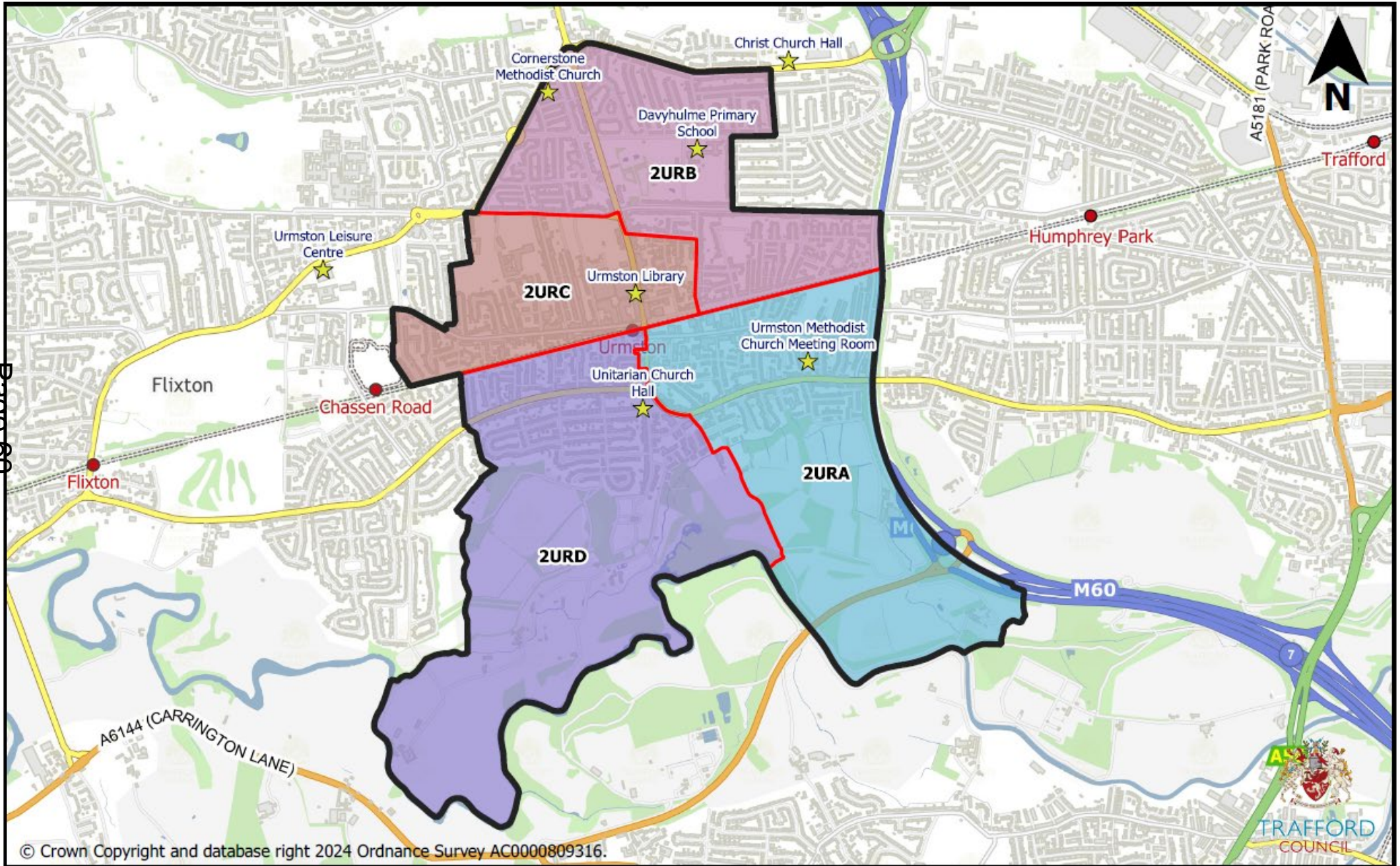
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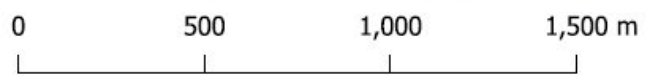


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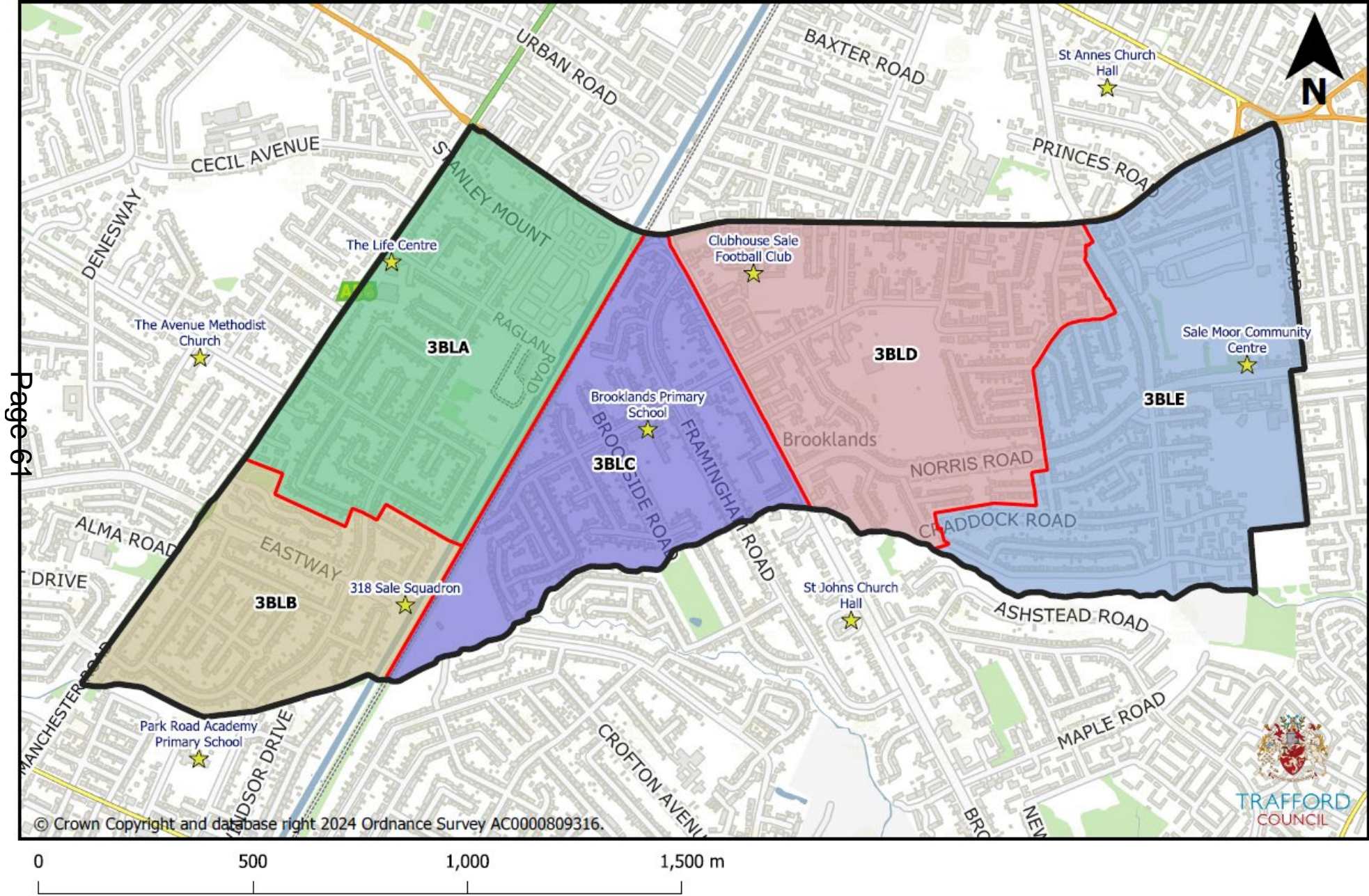
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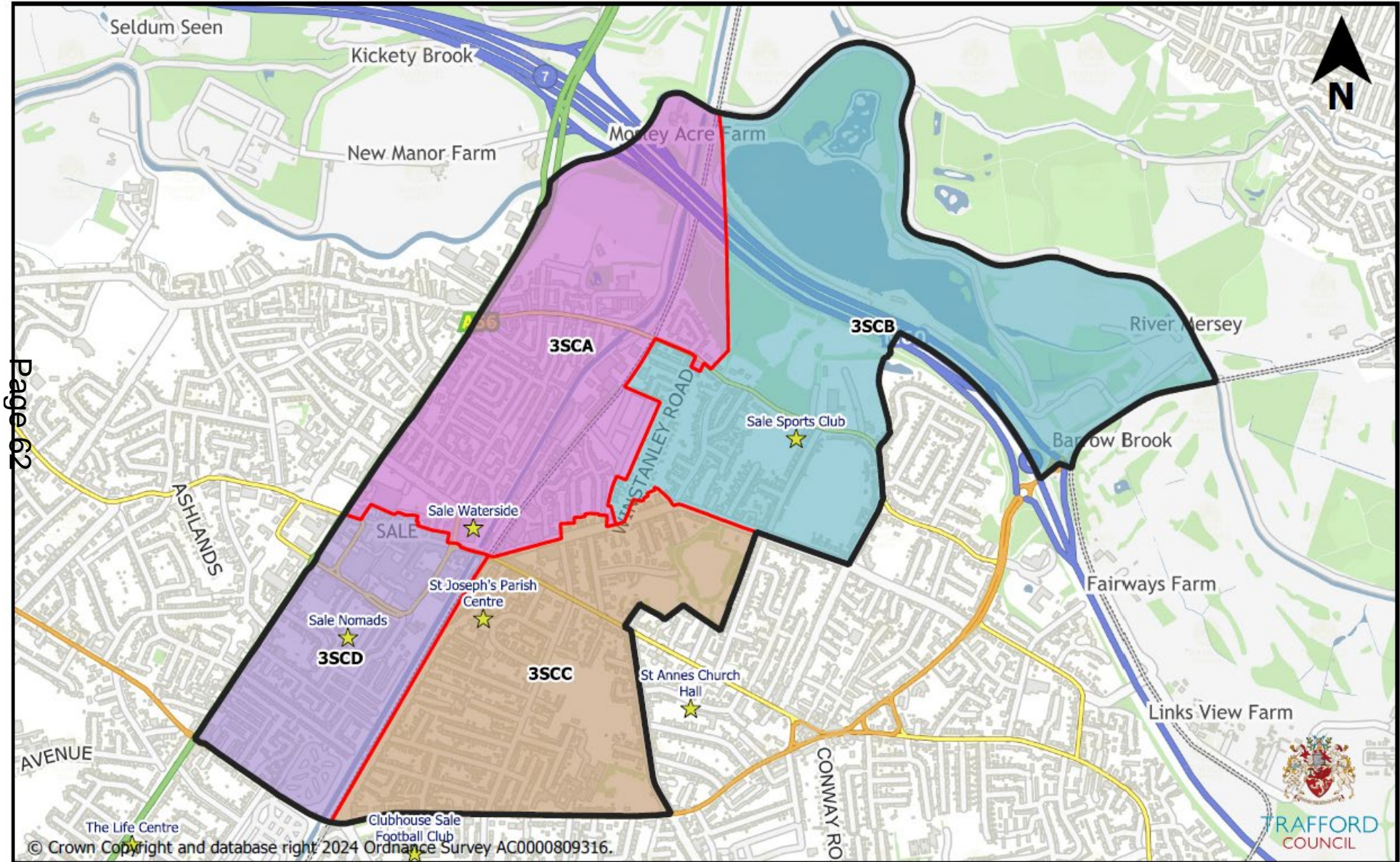
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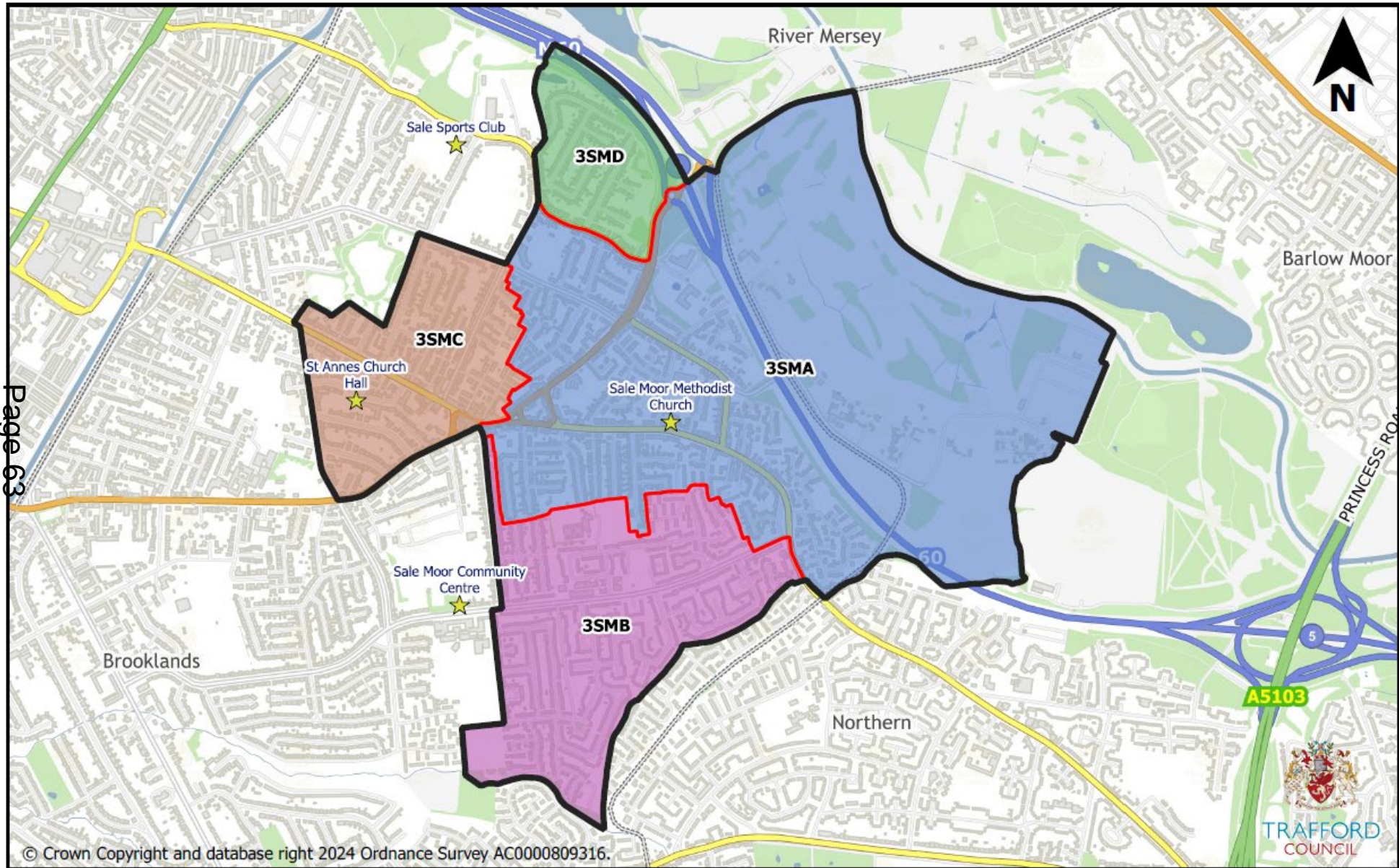
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Sale Moor



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TRAFFORD COUNCIL**LIST OF POLLING DISTRICTS****ALTRINCHAM & SALE WEST CONSTITUENCY**

ALTRINCHAM	1ALA	1ALB	1ALC	1ALD	1ALE		
ASHTON UPON MERSEY	1AMA	1AMB	1AMC				
BOWDON	1BDA	1BDB	1BDC	1BDD	1BDE	1BDF	1BDG
BROADHEATH	1BHA	1BHB	1BHC	1BHD	1BHE		
HALE	1HAA	1HAB	1HAC	1HAD			
HALE BARNES & TIMPERLEY SOUTH	1HTA	1HTB	1HTC	1HTD			
MANOR	1MAA	1MAB	1MAC				
TIMPERLEY CENTRAL	1TCA	1TCB	1TCC	1TCD			
TIMPERLEY NORTH	1TNA	1TNB	1TNC	1TND	1TNE		

STRETFORD & URMSTON CONSTITUENCY

BUCKLOW ST.MARTINS	2BSA	2BSB	2BSC	2BSD	2BSE	2BSF
DAVYHULME	2DAA	2DAB	2DAC	2DAD	2DAE	
FLIXTON	2FLA	2FLB	2FLC	2FLD	2FLE	
GORSE HILL & CORNBROOK	2GCA	2GCB	2GCC	2GCD		
LONGFORD	2LOA	2LOB	2LOC	2LOD		
LOSTOCK & BARTON	2LBA	2LBB	2LBC			
OLD TRAFFORD	2OTA	2OTB	2OTC	2OTD		
STRETFORD & HUMPHREY PARK	2SHA	2SHB	2SHC	2SHD		
URMSTON	2URA	2URB	2URC	2URD		

WYTHENSHAW & SALE EAST CONSTITUENCY

BROOKLANDS	3BLA	3BLB	3BLC	3BLD	3BLE3
SALE CENTRAL	3SCA	3SCB	3SCC	3SCD	
SALE MOOR	3SMA	3SMB	3SMC	3SMD	

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APPENDIX D

Summary of Responses Received via Online Form

Current Polling Station	Are you satisfied ?	Do you have any comments or suggestions about where you currently vote?	Do you have any comments or suggestions about your polling district?	Do you have any comments or suggestions about any other polling places or polling districts in the borough?	General Comments
Flixton Primary School	Yes	It's close by, it's accessible and is well used. When we had to vote at Flixton House, I had to drive there, as it was too far for me to walk.	Keep it the same	There needs to be more in Lostock and Barton and the Canterbury Road estate	The polling station staff are great! Competent and friendly
Davyhulme Primary	Yes				
Keeps being changed, was the school then the library then the sports centre!	No	Stop changing it. I live in Urmston and now sent to Flixton to vote	Stop changing it		
Carrington Lane Methodist Church	Yes	It's nearby and accessible	Good to not have it at Townscroft Lodge anymore. Using the communal lounge where people live is a bit invasive	No	
St Annes	Yes	Schools would be easier			
Unitarian Church	Yes	No	Polling stations should have accessible parking	I object to polling stations in schools and the disruption this causes. Parents having to take time off out of holiday time to look after children etc	Accessible polling stations inside libraries and supermarkets
Unitarian Church	Yes				
Old Trafford Community Academy	No	It's way too far. I know people from my area who just don't vote because it's too far. I need to drive there.	No	No	Please open a new polling station closer to us. We feel isolated in my area, as we are inside an odd piece of land surrounded by Manchester and Salford boundaries

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Sale Moor Methodist	No	The current venue is fine and benefits from level access which I think is important	I think that the Council should reconsider the polling station for my postcode as there is a closer station at Sale Cricket Club on Dane Road. Currently, to get to Sale Methodist Church, I need to cross Old Hall Road and walk about 10mins to get to the venue. It would be much shorter walk to the Cricket Club and would have helped us when voting as we needed to take our baby with us.		
Lostock Library	Yes		Makes sense that we are no longer Gorse Hill as that's miles from the house		
Sale Rugby Football Club	Yes	Signage to the polling station at the SRFC Whitehall Road entrance needs improving because for a significant number of residents this provides the shortest route to the polling station. Every year the staff have to be reminded about this when they have posted a small poster at the side of the entrance gates	It is bizarre that Lydgate Road is in BLD yet Farley, Pulford and Pollen are in BLE. Lydgate residents must walk through BLE to get to SRFC because it is a cul de sac accessed only by Farley Road which is in BLE.		

Summary of Responses Received via Email

Timperley North	<p>Could we move the polling station for TNA from Heyes Lane School to the Bowling Green Hut on Riddings Road? This could be coupled with a change to the polling district boundary, moving the following streets (or parts thereof) from TNB into TNA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cheam ○ Heath ○ Greenway and Sylvan north of Cross Grove ○ Tabley ○ Eaton, Hodgeson and Radlet ○ Riddings Road north of Cheam Road junction <p>Moving these streets would mean that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (a) The new Bowling Green polling station is within the district of TNA, and nobody is walking past it to reach a different one, nor living opposite it but having to walk elsewhere to vote; ○ (b) The huge disparity between the two polling districts A and B in terms of voters is evened out. <p>Finally, could we move Arcadia, Fairywell Drive and St Ives Crescent from TNA into TNC, so that they can vote at St John’s Church – otherwise the bowling green is even further away for them.</p>
Manor	<p>Looking at the map for Manor Ward, the size of MAA1 seems to have become very large. The inclusion of the area bounded by Cecil Ave – Moss Lane – Harboro Road has shifted the balance and left the residents in this area with a long trip to the polling station on Manor Avenue.</p> <p>Would it be possible to adjust the boundary so that the area described above could be included in MAB1 with the polling station at The Methodist Church.</p>
Stretford & Humphrey Park	<p>I am happy with the proposals. I appreciate we want to reduce the use of schools because of the disruption this causes but I am struggling to think of an alternative venue in SHC2. The proposed polling station for that district is very central and easy to access- the only alternatives I can think of would be the Sevenways Church Hall or if there’s an empty unit in the Barkway Road shops.</p>
Hale	<p>I was wondering about The Vine, Hale methodist church as an alternative to Stamford Park Primary.</p> <p>I don’t know if it would be big enough but you already use Altrincham methodist church which is part of the same circuit with the same contact details. It is close to the school and accessible but I don’t know your precise requirements.</p> <p>One point that I had made with regards to the school was concern about the step to get in, which has been an issue for people with mobility issues in previous years.</p>

	My other suggestion is Altrincham football club – they have a lot of available space. I don't know if you have considered there previously.
Gorse Hill & Cornbrook	As an alternative to Old Trafford Academy could we use the temple at the old Old Trafford Council Library, Building, Stretford Road.
Flixton	I strongly agree we should not disrupt schools unnecessarily. Therefore I propose that electors in FLC2 use Flixton House, if there is sufficient space there to accommodate 2 districts. It is very close to FLC2, and for voters who need to travel by car it is a simpler location to access.
Sale Moor	<p>We have 3 polling districts in Sale Moor, served by 3 polling stations one of which is located outside the ward in Brooklands. A quick look at the proposed stations across Trafford shows Sale Moor has the fewest stations noting two of which serve large number of residents. A comparison with our WSE neighbours, Sale Central has 4, Brooklands has 5.</p> <p>Earlier this year St Francis Church became unavailable to use as a polling station, a decision was made without consultation with us to direct this polling district to Sale Moor Community Centre. Whilst polling cards correctly identified this, Trafford's website continued to show St Francis as a polling station and as such we advised residents this was the case. We raised this with officers shortly before the election and Trafford issued a letter to residents in this polling district to clarify the situation—however given the tight timescales it arrived at many homes after polling day. We were given assurances that this situation would be reviewed in due course as such we hope the following suggestions will be considered as part of this review.</p> <p>Our suggestions;</p> <p>Polling District SMB3 needs to have a polling station located within it. Whilst there may not be a community building available a mobile unit could be located near the shops on Norris Road or our park / car park on Bramhall Close. Currently residents furthest away from Sale Moor Community Centre has a good 40 minute round trip on foot— there is no bus route that covers this. This is the part of the ward with the lowest rates of car ownership, in May we had to organise lifts for several people.</p> <p>Polling District SMA3— this area includes an estate previously located within Priory ward – Dane Road, Ravenstone Drive. Arnesby Ave, Oulton Ave. Stapleford, Vale Ave. Residents for some years have travelled to Sale Sports Club to cast their vote, short walk, lots of car parking. In May they were asked to go to Sale Methodist Church 40 minute walk round trip, no car parking. We would like residents on this estate previously in Priory ward to be able to revert back to using Sale Sports Club – we asked this in May and were told there were complications over sharing a polling station – not an issue elsewhere.</p> <p>Polling District SMA3— there are several roads off Northenden Road which are only— 2-10 minute walk from Sale Moor Methodist Church – who are currently being asked to walk 40 minute round trip on foot to Sale Moor Community Centre. We would like this polling district to be extended to cover Lindow St, Daresbury Close, St Anns Street, Lindow Ct, Ridley Grove, Sandford Road, and the associated properties on even side of Northenden Road.</p>

<p>Ashton upon Mersey</p>	<p>Firstly, the information given by the Council on the website seems very unclear. Overall, I have concluded that the present consultation is regarding current polling places, as indicated in The Messenger, Trafford, 26/10/23, but parts of the information seem to say that opinions on proposed changes are being sought rather than on current arrangements. However I cannot find what these changes are or would be, so I imagine this could possibly be a reference to the next part of the consultation. Clarity of information would be helpful.</p> <p>I have limited mobility. I am responding because for several years, due to the difficulty and time involved in accessing the allocated polling station, I have been using a postal vote but taking it to the polling station near me by hand. The allocated polling station was changed recently, I think prior to the last local Election, from Fiona Gdns to the United Reformed Church in Whitefields Rd. This is better for me than Fiona Gdns which was a bad location due to lack of access except by the main entrance which involved a long walk round and then walking down a long drive for someone without transport. If side access had been available (as I understand it is for residents there,) it would have been a reasonable although fairly long walk but it was unreasonably long in my view to go to the front entrance. It should be taken into account that not everyone has transport available to them. Although the church on Whitefields Rd is nearer, it is still further than the very convenient polling station which I am not allowed to use, at St Mary Magdalene Church, cnr. Moss Lane and Harboro Rd.</p> <p>When I telephoned and asked about this originally, I understood that the boundary for polling stations lies along the middle of Ashton Lane. Consequently as I live the wrong side, I am not allowed to use St Mary Magdalene Church which is just down the road, but required to go a lot further. However I established that if I used a postal vote I would be allowed to hand it in at any polling station. I prefer to take it rather than post it, as one cannot necessarily rely on the post although in most cases the item would arrive. I would not consider I need a postal vote, although I have disabilities, for any other reason apart from the difficulty with the allocated polling station. My suggestion for change would therefore be more reasonable allocation so that when there is a polling station nearby one is able to use it.</p> <p>I cannot comment otherwise on the choice of the United Reformed Church, not having used it, except that it would seem preferable to Fiona Gdns as it is at least adjacent to the road. It seems good to give people shorter distances to go especially in the light of climate change and trying to encourage less use of vehicles, as many people like to walk to polling stations anyway if they are close. I do not think places with long driveways should be used. As well as difficulties for walkers they can cause congestion for car drivers at busy periods. There are various primary schools in this area currently not used, although I cannot comment on their general suitability. When I have used primary schools they have seemed to work well but specific ones could conceivably have issues. On the face of it I would have thought a school would be better than Fiona Gdns if that is still under consideration. There are schools which would be a lot closer for me.</p> <p>As I see that the polling stations are reviewed every 5 years by law, I do feel that when someone calls and makes a point like this, there should be a record kept of the call to help with decision making. I knew nothing about the review or that any reviews took place until I happened to see it in the newspaper and could easily have missed it, and I have probably been using the postal vote for this reason for over 5 years and I think I may have mentioned it in other calls, but I am not aware any record has ever been taken of this even when I called specifically to see if my polling station could be changed. I was not told then that this would ever be reviewed or that there would ever be a chance to contribute to such a review.</p> <p>As regards St Mary Magdalene Church, it seems to have all features mentioned to be an ideal polling place, as well as being conveniently close to me. It is a pity that the boundary seems to have been decided in rather an arbitrary fashion. However using the postal vote in this</p>
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	<p>way does work. I commend the change from Fiona Gdns as with my current mobility issues I think that would certainly have been a major problem for me.</p> <p>Unless one does have a postal vote, there is no choice as to the day of voting, so unless the time involved is kept short, people are going to be discouraged from casting their vote if they are otherwise occupied on the day.</p>
<p>Altrincham</p>	<p>An alternative to St Vincent's is tricky.</p> <p>The former vet's on Clarendon Avenue might serve temporarily as it is currently empty.</p> <p>Would the Leisure Centre be an option when it reopens? Tesco has a community room, but I don't know if they would permit use. There is also a room at the Counselling and Family Centre on Mayor's Road, but how suitable it would be I'm not certain.</p> <p>Looking slightly further afield, I'd suggest the Hub on Pownall Road, or Altrincham Football Club. But they may be too far away.</p>
<p>Hale Barns & Timperley South</p>	<p>I believe we are happy with proposals broadly.</p>

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Council
Date: 31 January 2024
Report for: Information
Report of: Deputy Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Leisure, Arts, Culture & Heritage

Report Title

**6-month Corporate Report on Health, Safety & Wellbeing
 – 1 April to 30 September 2023**

Summary

1. To provide information on council wide health and safety performance and delivery
2. To provide a summary of other key developments in relation to health, safety and wellbeing for the period 1 April – 30 September 2023

Recommendation(s)

1. That the report is noted.

Contact person for access to background papers and further information:

Name: Simon Whitehead Interim Health and Safety Manager – Health and Safety

Background Papers: None

Relationship to Policy Framework/Corporate Priorities	The Council's approach to managing health and safety at work is set out in the Corporate Health and Safety Policy. This includes the arrangements for ensuring the health, safety and welfare of employees and reporting on performance.
Financial	There are no foreseeable financial implications arising out of this report.
Legal Implications:	The work programme of audits carried out by the Health and Safety Unit, together with on-going policy/guidance developments, training provision and investigations of accidents and incidents are designed to continually improve compliance with health and safety legislation.
Equality/Diversity Implications	None
Sustainability Implications	None
Resource Implications e.g. Staffing / ICT / Assets	None

Risk Management Implications	A refocus on the fundamentals of health and safety management is being completed in 2023-24
Health & Wellbeing Implications	The Employee Wellbeing Strategy provides a framework for focused interventions to support the health and wellbeing of our workforce
Health and Safety Implications	See Legal section above. The continuing health and safety arrangements combined with the mechanisms for the provision of advice and guidance are all focused on sensible and targeted risk management.

1. Introduction

1.1 The Council remains committed to high standards of health, safety and wellbeing for staff, visitors, contractors, elected members and others who may be affected by our activities. This report covers the period 1 April-30 September 2023 and provides:

- Key health and safety performance information, highlighting proactive and reactive activities undertaken by the Health and Safety Unit (HSU) working with partners
- Analysis of incident data
- Activities and initiatives delivered with partners to support our workforce under the ‘EPIC You – Health and Wellbeing Strategy’

1.4 HSU provides a targeted proactive programme of interventions to manage existing and emerging risks to the workforce and others affected by the Council’s work activities. Work for April-September 2023 included:

- Continuing to promote the ‘Your Safety, Your Wellbeing’ health and safety initiative to ensure that colleagues safely finish their working day, every day.
- Conducting service audits of our North Area Libraries and service specific support for our Supported Living teams and Elections team.
- Completing comprehensive full audits within our Trafford Schools.
- Continued joint monitoring of our One Trafford Partnership contracted services
- Driving forward collaborative improvements to safety and security arrangements within our buildings through the Trafford Internal Security Review Group.
- Providing a range of face to face health and safety training to 85 colleagues in addition to online training.
- Collaborative delivery of a range of health and wellbeing activities and opportunities to the workforce under the EPIC You Employee Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

1.5 Updates are provided to the relevant Corporate Directors and Joint Consultative Committees.

2. Proactive audits and support in council services and schools

2.1 Council service support

2.1.1 North area library audits

Service audits are an important active monitoring tool to evaluate statutory compliance and identify areas where improvement to health and safety performance is needed.

During April-September 2023, North Area Libraries were audited on a range of health and safety management issues. The libraries firstly completed a self-assessment questionnaire to provide base level information. Site audits were then completed at each location with the area managers. A comprehensive overall audit report was provided which gave:

- An overarching summary of performance across the north library service as a whole
- A supportive action plan to implement improved health and safety arrangements

The South Area Libraries are now completing the same process with HSU

2.1.2 Supported Living themed interventions.

The service has received a variety of support to develop safety and wellbeing arrangements for staff and service users. This has included:

- Themed health and safety meetings which have focused on risk assessments, accident reporting/investigation and managing volatile behaviour.
- The delivery of face to face moving and handling and fire awareness training.
- Individual service user mobility assessments.

2.1.3 Safe delivery of elections

HSU worked closely with Democratic Services throughout April and early May in a key supportive role to ensure the safe delivery of the election arrangements including the polling stations, receipting and main count.

The team had representation at the weekly elections planning meetings. An event safety management plan was developed and coordinated, risk assessments were in place for each aspect of the elections and the service supported the implementation of security and contingency arrangements.

2.1.4 One Trafford Waste and Recycling Service audit

HSU continue to assist the One Trafford Client Team in monitoring the health and safety performance of Amey delivering our contracted services.

Monitoring was supported through two joint 'crew check' operations in Old Trafford/Stretford and Altrincham/Hale. Waste Services crews were observed to ensure they were following safe working practices. As well as observations, the crews were directly engaged with to discuss working arrangements and for them to raise any issues or concerns. Observations made during the two exercises were very positive.

2.1.5 Managing volatile incidents in our buildings

The Trafford Internal Security Review Group (TISRG) continues to work to review and improve the safety and wellbeing of staff from volatile and aggressive behaviour displayed from visitors and service users within our buildings.

To address the wide scope of work now being covered in managing safety and security, the group has been refreshed and incorporates a wider representation from relevant services and partners within our buildings. The group has now made some

significant progress in the development of improved safety and security measures as detailed in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Key security issues being progressed

Area of work	Action
Incident reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistent security team incident data received weekly for review and action as required • Communications to encourage staff reporting on volatile incidents: 'Don't accept it, Report It' • TISRG regular analysis and review of incident data
Physical security measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed assessment and consultation of physical security measure improvements at Trafford Town Hall and Sale Waterside. Physical improvements programmed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TTH Multistorey car park - TTH Reception turnstiles - TTH Staff entrance - Sale Waterside reception desks - Interview rooms at both sites - Improved CCTV provision at both sites - Access pass system improvements
Training and awareness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular security messages in our staff communication • Short video of security arrangements for all staff, filmed from the perspective of a member of staff including wearing ID badges, being respectful when challenged by a security guard, preventing tailgating, managing visitors, being vigilant and reporting any concerns. • Pilot of a 'managing difficult situations' course for further front line services. (Currently delivered within Customer Services)

2.2 Schools Support and SLA Delivery

2.2.1 Schools continued to be supported through the health and safety SLA's which in addition to an on-site visit included:

- Unlimited advice and guidance through our duty officer system.
- Access to school specific guidance on our SLA portal.
- Access to a range online health and safety training.

2.2.2 The school Health and Safety SLA year 2022-23 closed in August with 80 schools having received competent support. Currently, 80 schools have purchased the Health and Safety SLA for 2023-24, including our community schools. The breakdown of schools is shown in table 2.

Table 2: Breakdown of school SLA buy-back

School Type	Number
Community	37
Voluntary Controlled	1
Voluntary Aided	22
Independent	2
Academy	17
Total	80

2.2.3 For the SLA year 2022-23, a total of 72 schools have received an on-site audit. These were mainly focused on a full management audit option or fire risk assessment (FRA) as required. The breakdown of audit types is shown in table 3.

Table 3: All schools on-site visits by type and number

Audit Type	Number
Fire Risk Assessment	24
Full Audit	44
Play Area Audit	1
Bespoke Audit (Site Manager)	3
Total	72

2.2.4 Specific to our Trafford Community Schools, 37 visits were completed. For our main audits, schools receive a compliance score to indicate their performance. Table 4 shows a breakdown of the types of audits and the score received (where applicable). Where schools receive a fair or poor score, they are fully supported by HSU to work through their prioritised action plan and make the required improvements.

Table 4: Community schools by audit type and score (where applicable)

Audit type	Score	Number
Full Audit	Excellent (91-100%)	5
	Good (75-90%)	6
	Fair (50-74%)	3
	Poor (0-49%)	1
Play Area	Good (75-90%)	1
Bespoke Audit	N/A	1
FRA	N/A	19
Total		36

3. Health and Wellbeing Support

3.1 The wider HR Service in conjunction with partners and staff groups has continued to deliver a range of interventions for our workforce and promote a wealth of support in line with our *EPIC You* Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

3.3 Table 5 summarises the themes and interventions that have been delivered during April to September.

Table 5 EPIC You Health and Wellbeing Activities and Support

Activity	Details
Trafford Support Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trafford Staff Mental Health First Aid Network: Promoting our trained volunteers who are a point of contact if colleagues are experiencing a mental health issue or emotional distress. We have 12 mental health first aiders. • Trafford Employee Assistance Programme: 24/7, easy to access confidential support. Unlimited access to information and counselling
Tea and Talks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tea and Talk sessions: Hosted monthly by our mental health first aiders aimed at supporting staff to connect and take some time out from pressures of work and home life. These are often themed to encourage discussion
Staff Support Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mindfulness programme – A Childrens Services colleague who is trained in mindfulness provides monthly sessions for staff to support good mental wellbeing and connection with colleagues • EPIC Manager Health and Wellbeing Module: Ongoing delivery as part of the EPIC Manager programme to support the wellbeing of their teams.
Wellbeing campaigns and events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Travel Events: The Staff Active Travel Group delivered an ‘Active Travel Event’ in May 2023 (cycle servicing, cycle confidence training, try an e-bike) and promoted relevant campaigns e.g. bike month challenge 2023. • Mental Health Awareness Week (May): Delivered a webinar with the Greater Manchester Resilience Hub to 18 staff covering strategies for managing our emotions during challenging times and support that the Hub provides to Health and Social Care colleagues. Two in-person mindfulness/tea and talk sessions were provided at Trafford Town Hall and Sale Waterside which included a mindfulness exercise and a chance for colleagues to chat with our Mental Health First Aiders.
Health and Wellbeing Guidance and Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Living Resources: With colleagues in the Welfare Rights team, information was provided on the range of benefits and welfare support that colleagues may be entitled to. This is located on our Financial Wellbeing intranet pages, along with further information regarding support for parents and carers to help with the cost of living during the school summer holidays (e.g. restaurants offering free/cheap meals for children).
Health and Wellbeing / EDI Campaign Calendar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaign Calendar: Working with Public Health colleagues and our equality groups, a shared calendar of health & wellbeing / equality campaigns has been developed to prioritise to support forward-planning and alignment of campaigns with our corporate priorities supported by relevant data. We focused on the ‘Month of Hope’ suicide awareness campaign in September.

4. Accident statistics

4.1 Overview

4.1.1 Reviewing incidents and accident data remains an important aspect of our reactive health and safety monitoring arrangements. Tables 6 and 7 provide a breakdown of these incidents by service area, directorate, and type of accident.

4.1.2 During the six-month period of this report, we have seen an increase in incidents reported compared to the same period in the previous year. A total of 80 incidents were reported in 2023 compared to 68 incidents in 2022.

4.1.3 Some considerations of note in relation to the increase are:

- We have been using improved data and reporting from our security teams to ensure we accurately record incidents within our buildings, particularly around violent and aggressive occurrences.
- We have worked to encourage managers and staff to report incidents of verbal abuse or threats through a 'Don't accept it, Report it' initiative.
- We have continued to promote incident reporting and our online form with schools to ensure incidents are appropriately recorded and submitted to HSU.

Table 6: Numbers of accidents by directorate and service area

Directorate	Service Area	No of incidents
Adults Services	Adults Neighbourhood Teams (Supported Living)	3
	Public Health	1
Total		2
Childrens Services	Education Standards, Quality and Assurance	8
	Childrens Social Care	5
Total		13
Governance and Community Strategy	Member Services	1
Total		1
Place	Growth Communities & Housing	3
Total		3
Strategy and Resources	Customer Services	8
	Business Intelligence Unit	1
	Strategic Business Unit	1
Total		10
Schools	Special Schools	42
	Community Schools	8
Total		50
Total Accidents		80

Table 7: Type of accident by directorate

Type of accident	Directorates – See Key Below							Total
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	
Assault Threats or Intimidation	0	2	0	1	3	5	1	12
Contact with a Hot Surface/Substance	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Contact with Electricity	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cut by a Sharp Object	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Fall from a Height	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Hit by a Moving, Flying or Falling Object	1	2	0	0	0	1	3	7
Moving and Handling	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Physically Assaulted by a Person	1	7	0	0	0	1	35	44
Power or Hand Tool Injury	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Slipped, Tripped or Fell on Same Level	0	2	0	0	0	1	6	9
Striking Against an Object	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Totals	3	13	0	1	3	10	50	80

A - Adults

C - Finance and Systems

E - Place

G - Schools

B - Childrens

D - Governance & Community Strategy

F - Strategy and Resources

4.2 Types of accidents

- 4.2.1 Violence and aggression accounts for most incidents mainly in relation to front line services and schools managing challenging behaviour. An overall upward trend was noted from 43 incidents reported in 2022 to 56 incidents in 2023. The increased incidents noted will in part be due to the improved reporting as detailed in point 4.1.2, but do provide an ongoing area of focus to ensure management strategies proactively reduce this risk and related incidents to staff.
- 4.2.2 Physical assault (including a wide range of physical incidents due to aggressive behaviour) accounted for 44 incidents compared to 35 in 2022. Most of these incidents related to children with challenging behaviour. Schools reported an increase of 11 incidents (35 compared to 24 in 2022). Trafford Transport Provision (TTCU) reported 7 incidents, as reported the previous year. HSU continue to work closely with schools and TTCU on managing and reporting such incidents.
- 4.2.2 There were 12 reported incidents of verbal assault, threats or intimidation compared to 8 reported in 2022. An increase of reports is noted from our Customer Service Team, who we have worked with to ensure that volatile behaviour from the public/service users accessing our buildings is recorded. This data has been vital in supporting the progression of improved physical security work at Trafford Town Hall and Sale Waterside via the Trafford Internal Security Review Group as detailed in section 2.1.5.

4.2.3 Slips and trips accidents accounted for 11 incidents. These involved a variety of circumstances and were not related. Only one report was submitted for moving and handling injuries. A comprehensive moving and handling assessment/training programme continues to be delivered by HSU to support this risk area.

4.3 Rate of reportable injuries to staff

4.3.1 There were four incidents that required a RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations) report to the Health and Safety Executive. These incidents are shown in Table 8

Table 8: RIDDOR reportable incidents details

RIDDOR type	Details
Over 7-day absence	Library staff member struck by shelving.
	Supported living staff manual handling injury when person handling
Specified injury	Teaching assistant tripped and fell (fractured wrist)
	Site manager low level fall from ladder (fractured wrist)

5. Continued delivery of health and safety support services

5.1 Internal Audit: Health and Safety Unit

5.1.1 The Council's Audit and Assurance Service completed a review of the Health and Safety Unit as part of their Internal Audit Plan. The findings showed 'Substantial Assurance' in the delivery of the Service with areas reviewed operating in a sound and effective manner.

5.1.2 The Health and Safety Unit are progressing the recommendations, including updating current data on team structures/functions to support a refreshed risk profile of Council services and a renewed delivery of a proactive audit programme by the team.

5.2 Your Safety, Your Wellbeing

5.2.1 This health and safety initiative has continued to be an integral message as part of our health and safety delivery programme including:

- A dedicated [intranet resource page](#) with bite size guides.
- Regular communications on key risk and wellbeing issues.

5.2.3 A 'team focus' included the work of Care at Home, who made some practical changes to working patterns and reviewed DSE/workstation arrangements to support the health and wellbeing of the team.

5.3 Training

The HSU has continued to work with the Learning and Development Team to directly deliver or procure the following training for the workforce. Details of the training provided are shown in table 9.

Table 9: Training delivered April-September 2023

Course/Training	Number of Courses	Number Attended/Trained
Emergency First Aid at Work	3	22
First Aid at Work (3 day)	3	31
Moving and Handling & Fire Safety Awareness (Supported Living)	1	5
Moving and Handling Induction (Adults)	3	21
Moving and Handling induction (TTCU)	1	6
Online General Manual Handling	-	134
Online Health & Safety in the workplace	-	215
Online Health and Safety: Health and Social Care	-	51

5.4 Requests for service

HSU have continued to respond to a high level of requests for advice/support and other complaints, incidents or enquiries relating to health and safety at work issues.

5.5 Display screen equipment (DSE) assessments

A total of 12 complex DSE (computer) workstation assessments have been carried out by the HSU for employees. These included supporting colleagues working from home and those with more complex health needs.

5.6 Events consultation

HSU act as an internal consultee for any organised events taking place on Council land. They also provide advice and guidance for events organised by the Council and attend multi-agency safety advisory groups as required. This includes the review of risk assessments and event safety plans for an event to be managed and run safely. A total of 51 events were reviewed during this 6-month period which included community fetes, sporting events, and outdoor productions.

5.7 Moving and handling support

5.7.1 The Moving and Handling Lead continues to deliver a range of support to our Adults and Children's Services to provide staff with the competence and training in moving people safely. This protects both our staff and service users.

5.7.2 As detailed in Table 9, a programme of moving and handling training includes:

- Induction and updates for Ascot House and Care at Home staff.
- Awareness training for all Supported Living staff (includes fire safety awareness delivered in conjunction with the Fire Lead)
- Complex moving and handling assessments as outlined in table 10.

Service	No of cases
Care at Home complex referrals	1
Ascot House complex referrals	3
Schools complex hoisting advice	2
School new changing room for complex needs	1
School pupil handling referral	8

5.8 Fire safety

5.8.1 The Health and Safety Advisor (Fire Lead) has continued to deliver a range of fire support to services and schools to ensure we meet our duties under relevant fire legislation.

5.8.2 Fire safety evacuation communications have been provided through the year on the arrangements in place.

5.8.3 Fire evacuations drills were completed at both Trafford Town Hall and Sale Waterside to test the fire arrangements in place at our main administrative buildings.

5.8.4 The Fire Lead completed 24 fire risk assessments at school premises.

6. Conclusion

6.1 The report has highlighted a range of health, safety and wellbeing work delivered as part of the HSU work programme. The delivery of proactive audits will continue to be a focus both through the school SLA arrangements and also the prioritised service audit programme. The 'Your Safety, Your Wellbeing' health and safety initiative will remain an integral part of promoting positive health and safety culture across the organisation.

6.2 Managing violence and aggression is a key risk area for the Council. In addition to supporting effective management, reporting and investigation of incidents across services and schools, the Trafford Internal Security Review Group will continue to progress safety and security arrangements within our buildings including the significant physical improvements detailed.

6.3 A comprehensive summary and update of the corporate safety and wellbeing programme will be provided in the end of year report.

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